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G. W. BOISSEVAIN,
Consul General for the Netherlands, temporarily in charge of Hungarian and Iranian Interests.

Shanghai, Mar. 8, 1939.
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IN THE UNITED STATES COURT FOR CHINA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
LAURA FRANCISCA BUCHANAN
Deceased.

Cause No. 4389, Estate No 2268
Filed at Shanghai, China, this 2nd day of March, 1939
WILLIAM T. COLLINS, *Clerk.*

NOTICE

Pursuant to an Order of said Court NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all persons having claims against the estate of Laura Francisca Buchanan, deceased, to present the same with vouchers to the undersigned on or before October 6, 1939, and all persons owing debts to said deceased are hereby notified to make payments of the same in due course to the undersigned.

EDWIN LESTER ARNOLD,
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Attorneys for Administrator,
Shanghai, China.
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The names of additional candidates, if presented to the Committee before noon of March 18, 1939, each bearing the recommendation of ten American ratepayers, will be added to the list of candidates to be voted on in the primary election. If no additional nominations are received, there will be no need for a primary election.

Additional nominations should be sent to:

J. S. POTTER,
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March 8, 1939.
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To-day's Events

MARCH

8 Scouters' Meet., 3rd Floor, For. Y. 5.30
8 Theosophical Society, 75 Jessfield Road, Public Lecture, 6
8 Purim Ball, French Club, 9.30
8 International Women's Day
8 Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang resigned (1933)

Coming Events

MARCH

9 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
9 Polish Women's Assn. Charity Bridge/Mahjongg, Foreign Y.M.C.A., 2.30
9 Royal Asiatic Society, Lecture
9 B.W.A. ann. general meeting, H.Q., 5.15
9 For. Y. Debate: 'Pidgin English,' 9
9 Le Ballet Russe, gala premiere of the super-production of this season, 'Le Coq d'Or,' ballet in 3 acts, music by Rimsky-Korsakov, Lyceum Theatre, 9
10 Shanghai Club, Annual Meeting, 5.30
10 'Specials,' 5th Annual Ball, Ciro's, 9.15
10 Club Hippique International 'Club Ball,' French Club, 10
11 Dinner Dance, Floorshow, C.S.F., 8.30
11 Le Ballet Russe, 'Le Coq d'Or,' Lyc., 9
12 Modernist Art Exhibition, Titiana Perfilieff, Cathay Hotel Ballroom, 10-6
12 Ballet Russe, 'Le Coq d'Or,' Lyc., 2.15
12 Municipal Orchestra Symphony Concert, Lyceum, 5.15
12 Le Ballet Russe, 'Le Coq d'Or,' Lyc., 9
13 Cradle Bridge/Mahjongg, Y.M.C.A., 3
13 Engineering Society Meeting, 5.45
13 Shanghai Players in Monteverde's 'Orpheus,' Lyceum, 9.15, Grand Gala Performance.
14 For. Y. Lecture: 'The Engineer and Crises,' 9
14 A.W.C. Literary Dept. program., 4.45
14 Shanghai Players in Monteverde's 'Orpheus,' Lyceum, 9.15
15 Royal Empire Society cocktail party, Masonic Hall, 6.30-8
16 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
16 B.W.A. Musical and Dramatic Section Concert and Tea, 4.30
16 For. Y. Debate: 'Sword Mightier Than Pen,' 9
17 St. Patrick's Ball, C.S.F., 9.30
18 Shanghai Players in Monteverde's 'Orpheus,' special matinee, Lyceum, 3
21 Vladimir Havsky in a Piano Concert at the Lyceum, 9
21 For. Y. Lecture: 'Social Responsibility of the Engineer,' 9
22 S.S.P.C.A. Bridge/Mahjongg, AWC, 3
22 German A.D.C. 'Parkstrasze 13,' Lyceum, 9
22 1st Annual Dinner Dance, Missouri Society of China, Farren's Nursery
23 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
23 Western (Extra-Settlement) Association ann. gen. meeting, 27 The Bund, 5
23 Royal Asiatic Society Lecture
23 V. Valin's gala performance, 'Blue Mazurka,' L. Opera by F. Lehar, Lyc., 8.45
23 B.U.S.C. Lecture by Dr. Blakelock on 'Immunity' at 114 Peking Road, at 6
23 For. Y. Debate: 'Social Service vs. Faith,' 9
24 'A' Coy., S.V.C., Annual Dance, C.S.F.
25 'Blue Mazurka,' L. Opera, Lyc., 8.45
25 'The 12 Jolly Ones,' songs, dance and humour, American Women's Club, 9
26 'Blue Mazurka,' L. Opera, Lyc., 8.45
28 A.W.C. bridge and mahjongg, 3
30 For. Y. Debate: 'Machine Enslaves Mankind,' 9
31 S'hai R.U.F.C. Dance, Country Club.
31 B.U.S.C. Social, Dome, 8.30

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1 Oxford & Cambridge Society Dinner
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Audioscopics: Some Facts About Eyes

To the Editor of the
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SIR,—Re AUDIOSCOPIC's request for information:—"Grade of fusion-ability" can be determined only by a complete ocular examination. Your correspondents mention having their sight "tested" and claim normal sight. Had they obtained a thorough examination their lack of stereopsis would have been revealed.

They are confusing a sight test with an examination. In the sight test, each eye covered, the other is tested for sight by reading letters of varying sizes and trying lenses of various powers. Such sight test is only one of many tests in a complete examination, whereby the duction powers of all the ocular muscles are measured to determine how the two eyes function binocularly. Perfect eyes do exist, but there are few ideal pairs. In the majority of cases over-convergence is linked with accommodation, or the latter exceeds the required amount of convergence.

Another important point. While sight tests are based on varying sizes of letters printed black on white, this does not apply to coloured movies (or audioscopics), since it can be easily demonstrated that ability to read normal size black letters does not ensure that the same size letters can be read when coloured. This fact is quite apart from the question of colour blindness, as even with normal colour vision, the new Duo-chrome test will definitely prove that normal sight for green is not necessarily normal for red or vice-versa. When it is recalled that often a pair of eyes are antagonists in regard to sight in colours, one can appreciate the cause of your correspondents' pleas, and the many complaints of headache after viewing coloured movies.

Faulty stereopsis is generally due to some kind of defective muscle innervation, and the main object of the optometrists' work is to discover and correct same by lenses or ocular muscle exercises. Eyes, however carefully corrected monocularly, may produce binocular discomfort. Normal sight in both eyes is no proof of binocular balance.

Re your correspondent's final query, motion picture photography and projection have attained a high degree of perfection, so that normal eyes should not feel strained by a two-hour show. If enjoyment of this popular diversion is marred by eye fatigue, a complete ocular examination is indicated.

C. P. RAKUSEN, O. D.

Shanghai, Mar. 7.

The Awakening Lion: Others Rousing Too

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—It appears from SAMURAI's letter that he considers it smart to split hairs and pass sneering remarks about people whose politics he does not agree with.

Does it really matter whether our Settlement is called Foreign or International? I presume he infers that by calling it the former Chinese should not be allowed into the Settlement at all.

How many people today, even in Shanghai itself, are aware of the fact that once upon a time a British Settlement did exist here, let alone where its boundaries were? And does it really matter? SAMURAI himself is not very particular in his use of names of places, or his pronouns.

Anglo-Saxons of today the world over believe in individual liberty and free speech whether it is in a newspaper, or expounded off a soap box, or over the air.

To accuse anyone of boasting because they state simple well-known facts is ridiculous whether it applies to a fortress or police methods.

Don't worry, SAMURAI, the grand old British lion has as much guts today as in days of yore; the king of the forest went to sleep in 1918 thinking he had taught the other animals a lesson and that they would in future leave him and his large family and friends in peace, but he is waking up and one of these days he is going to roar and maybe strike as well, then dear SAMURAI will see the monkeys and all the rest of the pests of the forest making a dive for their native trees. When that day comes SAMURAI can go to sleep—also in a tree if he wishes—assured that our glorious Anthony will be the lion's No. 1 Trainer.

Yes, SAMURAI, the French cock and the American eagle are also waking up slowly. The decendants of those glorious pioneers of America are not going to give up any of the liberties that they love and cherish, neither is peace and liberty loving France, just because there are a few madmen loose in the world. We don't want war, SAMURAI, that is why we leave Neville to his policy of appeasement, we are not mad and we see the futility of war; but if Neville falls, then, as in 1914 we had our David, this time we shall have our Anthony at the helm. We don't want to boast, but "come the three corners of the world in arms," etc.

BERTIE.

Shanghai, Mar. 7.

The Dog Show: No Premises Available

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—In reply to INNISFAIL's complaint in this morning's issue of the "N.C.D.N.", I beg to reply as follows:—

1. We cannot hold a Dog Show because we have no available premises. Any premises where a Dog Show could be held would be needed for five days on account of the necessary preparation required.
2. No Year Book has been issued because this is a costly matter to the Club. Past issues have involved the Club in a loss of many hundreds of dollars per issue, and without the compensating income from a Show it is not possible for the Club to issue this.
3. Membership of the Club has dwindled to such an extent that it is not possible to offset the cost of a Year Book out of members' dues.
4. A complete register of all dogs registered with the Club is in course of preparation and will be issued to members as soon as ready.
5. If INNISFAIL has any suggestion to make which he deems constructive, the Hon Secretary would be pleased to either hear from him or to meet him to exchange views.

THE HON SEC, C.K.C.

Shanghai, Mar. 7.

Crown Jewels to Cross Atlantic

Famous Koh-i-Noor Stone Goes to Canada, U.S.A. With British Rulers

When the King and Queen go to Canada in the spring it has been decided that they shall take royal crowns with them. This will be the first time in history that British Crown Jewels have crossed the Atlantic.

Most likely the crown to be taken by the King will be the Imperial State Crown, which has been altered to suit and which he has already worn three times.

It contains a pair of Queen Elizabeth's earrings and the romantic Stuart sapphire, smuggled out of the country by James II. and restored to the Crown years afterwards.

The Queen's crown which she will take has the Koh-i-noor diamond set in it.

It is made of platinum and set entirely with diamonds. It has detachable arches so that it can be worn as an open coronet.

The Queen will be able to detach the Koh-i-noor from her crown and wear it on other occasions pinned to her dress.

Armed Guard

An interesting tradition about this famous stone, and one always respected by the Royal Family, is that it must be worn only by a woman for fear of an ancient curse.

An armed guard will look after the jewels, which travel locked in a steel-clamped box, all the time they are away from the Tower of London.

Tremendous efforts are being made both from Canada and the United States to penetrate the closely guarded secrets of the dresses which have been specially designed for the Queen. As much as £1,000 has been offered for a model of one dress.

No details are to be made known until the Queen actually appears in them, but this much is hinted—they will launch new vogues.

The Queen will take fifty gowns and coats with her and a hat for each day ensemble. On some days she will wear three different outfits, and the crowded schedule demands that these changes shall be made with the maximum speed possible.

She has decided, in the public interest, to abandon the half mourning she is now wearing, although the first anniversary of her mother's death will not be until after her return.

The end of mourning affects jewellery as well as dress. The Queen will no longer be restricted to diamonds and pearls, but will be able to wear some of her many sets of beautiful coloured stones.

Dress Forecast

Here is a forecast of the trends which the Queen's clothes will follow:—

Colours will include no black, but some black and white, a good deal of the white, which proved so effective on the Paris visit, several shades of blue, which has been her favourite colour from girlhood, and pastel tints.

Daytime lines will be based on neat defined waists, flared skirts and shorter hemlines.

"Garden party" gowns will be included, some short sleeved to be worn with elbow-length gloves.

For summery dresses modernist designs are ruled out; natural flower patterns will be featured.

Hats, while actually fairly flat, will be built up in the crown to give an impression of height. This effect will be achieved partly by artificial flowers so natural that they could be mistaken for the real thing instead of by feather trimmings such as the Queen has been wearing lately.

Fur trimming will be less in evidence than in the past, but the Queen will take with her several handsome furs.

A marked difference is anticipated between the clothes, designed for Canada and those to be worn in the U.S.A.

The reason for this is that Canadians have expressed the wish that their Queen shall look as "regal" as possible, while in the United States the King and Queen will be regarded as the head of a friendly State and his consort rather than as state-visiting royalty.

Japanese to Be Urged To Save More

Finance Minister To Lead Propaganda

Tokyo, Mar. 6.

The Minister of Finance, Mr. Sotaro Ishiwata, will be one of the players in "Savings Propaganda Movie," which is to be produced by the National Savings Encouragement Bureau.

The original story of the movie, it is learned, will be the winning novel in a prize contest, for which the "Asahi Shimbun" has offered a prize.

The Minister of Finance, who will be the first Cabinet Minister to act on the screen in the history of Japan, declared in a press interview:—"Thanks to the nation's efforts, the total national savings in banks and post offices amounted to as high as Y.666,000,000 last year."—Reuter.

Col. Joseph Beck to Visit London

Warsaw, Mar. 6.

Colonel Joseph Beck, Foreign Minister of Poland, will pay a visit to London in the near future. The date of April 1 is being mentioned for this trip. Political circles here attach great importance to this decision which was taken following the conversations just completed here between Colonel Beck and his Rumanian colleague, Mr. Gregor Gafencu. —Havas.

Inciting Soldier to Steal

Civilian's Alleged Scheme to get Machine-guns From Arms Store of Cheshire Regiment

A civilian's alleged scheme to get machine-guns from the arms store of the Cheshire Regiment at Chester Castle, was described at the Quarter Sessions at Knutsford, Cheshire, states the "Daily Telegraph and Morning Post."

Archibald Norman Longworth, 38, a motor-lorry driver, of Trafford Park, Manchester, was convicted of "unlawfully inciting Joseph Gordon Icke, a private soldier in the service of the King, to steal the goods of the King from the depot of the Cheshire Regiment." The chairman said that the court was satisfied that Longworth was not the dupe of a subversive element in this country. Mr. Ralph Sutton, K.C., and Mr. J. P. Elsden appeared for the prosecution, and Longworth was defended by Mr. J. F. Marnan. Mr. H. Emlyn-Jones watched the interests of Longworth's employers.

Public-House Meeting

Mr. Sutton said that Longworth was employed by Callenders Cable Company, and at the time of the alleged offence lodged at Backford, near Chester. On Aug. 6, Pte. Quigley, of the Cheshire Regt., went in uniform to a public-house in Chester. Longworth got into conversation with him, stood him drinks, and asked him if he liked the Service. He asked Quigley to meet him again next day, which Quigley did not do.

On Aug. 13 Quigley and Pte. Icke, of the same regiment, went to the public-house, where they saw Longworth. He stood them drinks, and while they were talking another civilian came in, whom neither of the soldiers knew. He spoke to the defendant in a language they could not understand.

The conversation, said Mr. Sutton, got to Army matters. Longworth showed some curiosity as to whether they used the "drilling purpose" rifle and whether they had the latest type of machine-gun at Chester Castle. He also wanted to know where the rifles were kept.

Longworth, it was alleged, said to Quigley, "That is a good pal you have got (meaning Icke). Is he a squealer? Quigley replied. He is a very good pal. He tells nobody nothing.

Later, said counsel, Icke got suspicious. When he and Quigley went to the cloak room. Longworth followed and asked if they could draw a map of the castle. He asked Icke. Can you get any parts of a machine gun or rifle?

Quigley left shortly afterwards and Longworth and Icke went to Saltney. Longworth said. Did you see that fellow in the corner? He is a retired detective, and I hate the sight of him.

Authorities Told

Before leaving Icke, said, Mr. Sutton, Longworth asked him to meet him the next night and to find out all he could about machine-guns and arms. Icke reported matters to the authorities and after that day acted under instructions.

Icke met Longworth on the following night and went again to Saltney, where Longworth told Icke that he looked fed up. Icke replied: I should think I am, being in this rigout, and no money.

Icke said that he was over the company arms store where Lewis guns, machine-guns and rifles were kept. Longworth said that he thought he could arrange to get Icke out of the Army and to have some money. He said that he could get Icke to Spain.

Longworth asked Icke to meet him on the following Wednesday night and bring the keys of the arms store. They were to meet at Backford Church and Longworth's mate was to have a car. Longworth added: I have done a job like this at Aldershot. He showed Icke a photograph of himself in a uniform which Icke did not recognize, and on leaving gave Icke a half-crown and a packet of cigarettes.

On Aug. 17 Icke, accompanied by a detective wearing the uniform of a private, went to Backford. Longworth asked who Icke's mate was and Icke said: I have had to bring him on account of his being in the stores. Apparently something had gone wrong and the car was not forthcoming. Longworth said he could not do the job that night.

It was suggested that the following Saturday should be the day, added Mr. Sutton, and Longworth said that it was only necessary to drive the car in "bare-faced." He asked where the stores were and later gave Icke a 10s. note and Icke and the detective a packet of cigarettes each.

Evidence Called

Pte. Sidney Quigley, of Silverdale-avenue, Liverpool, stated in cross-examination that there was no conversation touching military matters on the first Saturday night. Longworth did not seem to have had a good few drinks.

Mr. Marnan: Was the stranger who stood you drinks the man who spoke in a language you could not understand?—Yes.

Did you notice anything particular about him?—One of his eyes was closed.

Do you know Welsh?—No.

Did it ever occur to you that there was anything suspicious about Longworth?—Only when he asked us to draw the map.

Can anyone walk into the Castle?—Yes.

Private Icke said that when he and Det.-Sergt. Ennion met Longworth at Backford Church, Longworth said that he would give them 10s. that night or the next when we have done the job. Longworth also told them that "the boss" had not turned up with the car. I had not heard of 'the boss' before, said Icke. I asked Longworth whether I could see the boss, and he replied. The boss lets no one see him. Longworth told us that we would get one-third of the value of what was extracted from the stores.

Replying to Mr. Marnan, Icke said that on Aug. 13 he had about six drinks, but was sober.

You can't be sure of all the things that were said in three hours during which you had six beers?—Yes.

Suspicions Aroused

Icke said that he first had suspicions about Longworth after he mentioned certain rifles and the latest type of machine gun. The foreign language had something to do with it.

Mr. Marnan: What was it you suspected him of?—I could not say. No civilian should talk the way he did.

Did you think he was a spy?—Yes. You thought that it was your duty to find out everything that was of use to a government if there were a spy in the country?—Yes.

Icke said that he wanted to find out who was behind Longworth.

Mr. Marnan: Was it your duty to lead him on to talk about military matters and find out what he was after?—Yes.

Icke said that Longworth always seemed to be free with his money. It did not strike him that Longworth drank too much.

Longworth told him that he was mostly interested in machine guns and asked about Bren guns. He also told him that the plan was that Longworth and the boss would drive bare-faced into the Castle and with the keys get the arms from the store.

Mr. Marnan: Are there plenty of details which this silly man said to you that you have forgotten?—No.

Mr. Marnan: When you met Longworth at Backford with Sergt. Ennion, did it strike you that he was doing all in his power to back out of any attempt on the Castle?—No.

Longworth's Arrest

Det.-sergt. Ennion gave evidence of accompanying Icke to Backford dressed in the uniform of a private in the Cheshire Regiment. When he revealed his identity Longworth said, I have only been leading you up the garden. When charged he replied, Not guilty.

Cross-examined, Sergt. Ennion said that a letter from the Spanish Embassy found in Longworth's possession read, "Dear Sir, I have to inform you that although I do appreciate your offer to help our country, the Spanish Government have no connection with the sending of volunteers to Spain. Therefore I am afraid I cannot help you in this matter."

Apart from a conviction for larceny in 1926 and one or two motoring offences, Longworth had never been in trouble. So far as had been discovered he had no connection with any foreign country or political party. His employers gave him an exemplary character.

Chief Supt. Platt stated that he had interviewed the man with the "closed eye." He spoke Welsh. There was nothing suspicious about him.

Lt. A. J. Cooper, adjutant of the Cheshire Regiment, cross-examined by Mr. Marnan, said that it might be possible late at night for anyone to walk into the square of the Castle, and, if they had a key, to carry arms out of the store. He was not at liberty to say whether details of the Bren gun had been published.

The case for the prosecution was closed and Longworth gave evidence. He said that he frequently went into public-houses in Chester at weekends. The photograph produced was taken when he was in the Royal Army Service Corps.

Wanted to go to Spain

The letter from the Spanish Embassy was in reply to one that he had written. He had wanted to go to Spain on the transport side, purely for adventure. He had no connection with any foreign Government and was not interested in Army matters.

On Aug. 13, he said, he met Quigley and Icke in a public-house in Chester. A man with a drooping eyelid came in and they all had drinks. By the end of the evening he would not have been able to hold a sensible conversation.

On Aug. 23, he remembered meeting Icke in the evening. He had been drinking for three hours and later was very bad. He did not remember giving Icke a half-crown.

Longworth said that Icke appeared willing to talk about military matters and was the one to start. He said to Icke: As you are fed up with the Army, if you get me some machine-guns I will sell them and you will be able to get bought out with the money. Icke agreed to the plan.

He did not mention "the boss" and had no no intention of carrying out the scheme.

Mr. Marnan: Why did you plan this scheme if you had no intention of carrying it out?—It was only foolishness.

It was a surprise to me when Icke said that he had the key of the arms store, he said. I got very upset and frightened. When I found they were apparently going through my scheme I tried to get rid of them.

Asked why he gave Icke 10s. that night, he replied I would have given them £100 to have got rid of them. I realize that I have been very foolish.

Counsel's Submission

Addressing the jury, Mr. Marnan asked. Have you ever seen such a fool in all your life? Can you imagine Longworth making a successful scheme to steal half-a-dozen eggs? He submitted that there was no intention on Longworth's part to break into the store at the Castle and steal machine-guns.

Det.-sergt. Ennion said that the police were satisfied that Longworth was not connected with any subversive element in this country.

Longworth was fined 25 guineas and given six weeks to pay. The alternative was four months' hard labour.

The Chairman, Lt.-Col. J. D. Waters, said he thought it was true that Longworth probably did not intend Icke to act on his incitement. I think probably a great deal of it was swagger, excitement and throwing your weight about, he said to Longworth. I hope that is true.

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Samli	80	Carp	40
Lobster	1.20	Mandarin	35
Mackeret	40	Salmon	40
Prawns, each	9	Cod	30
White bait	75	Pomfret	35
Yellow fish	25		
Soles	25		
Cuttle Fish	15		
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Pigeon	50	Fowl	75
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Chicken eggs	50-72	Woodcock	50
Chicken (young)	75	Goose ea.	4.00
		Wild pigeons	25
VEGETABLES			
B'boo shoots	25	New Potatoes	8
Beans, French	25	Mushrooms	70-1.40
Rhubarb	30	Cauliflower	30-50
Beetroot	12	Horse radish	20
Big marrow	10	Leeks, bunch	10
Cucumber	25	Lettuce	20
Celery bunch	8	Onions Amer.	22
Cabbage	10	Onions, spr.	8
Carrots	10	Potatoes	8
Chillies	30	Potatoes Sweet	5
Egg-plant	25	Spinach	10
Endive, each	20	Tomatoes	30
Garlic	15	Turnips	10
Ginger	15	Green peas	20
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Mandarin Or.	15-20	U.S. Oranges d.	1.20
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Grade 'A'	25-40 cents per pint.		
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Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF MARCH 8, 1869

In France, Switzerland and America, the necessity of training educated women for medical practice has been recognized, and in the two former countries male and female students are now pursuing their studies together. Some among us wish the same course to be allowed in England, but while advocating the thorough education of women for the practice of medicine, I should strongly deprecate their studying medical subjects with male students. At the Medical College for Women, 4 Fitzroy Square, which is steadily developing its curriculm session after session, instruction is given to female students only, and thus a career is being opened to those women whose superior education fits them for an arduous and responsible profession. Before long we may hope that some of those young ladies who have passed with honours through the Cambridge examinations, instead of swelling the overcrowded governess list, will qualify themselves for the medical profession. To render the scheme of a medical education complete requires a certain amount of support, with a small sum of money a large amount of good has been effected, but much remains to be done before women can be properly trained for the profession.

A SUM of $5,000,000 has been granted by the Bureau of Farm Credit, the Bank of China, the Bank of Communications and the Central Bank of China for the purchase of large quantities of rice for shipment to Kwangsi and Kwangtung to relieve the acute rice shortage, says a Hongkong Chinese message to the "Shun Pao."

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News and Notes from Home

"Perfidious Albion's Fiendish Duplicity"; Building Bomb-Proof Shelters; Refugee Camps

By O. M. Green

(Editor "North-China Daily News," 1911-1930)

London, Feb. 11.

THE surrender of Minorca to General Franco's forces will doubtless go down in German and Italian histories as another example of perfidious Albion's fiendishly far-sighted duplicity. For us who know that our policy is largely made up of day-to-day contrivance, this thought increases our amusement at the whole episode.

But the lending of H. M. S. Devonshire to carry Franco's representative to the island was nevertheless a master piece. As an act of humanity to avert further bloodshed it was unassailable, and it completely cuts the ground from under any Italian pretext for landing on Minorca.

It should also win for Great Britain the goodwill of all thinking Spaniards on both sides. No wonder that German and Italian papers are furious. The "Hamburger Fremdenblatt" speaks of "the revolting exhibition of French and British diplomats," and with a mixture of metaphors that is more Hibernian then Aryan continues that "London and Paris are engaged in a diplomatic race" but "Nationalist Spain holds all the trumps, "while Britain and France are sitting on the short end of the lever."

The "Daily Herald" today reports that General Franco is to be asked who sent the Italian aeroplanes to bomb Minorca while the negotiations were going on in spite of the pledge given to the Devonshire's captain that there should be no military operations while she was on her mission. But really what need is there to inquire? The answer is too obvious. That all Spanish officers were deeply mortified and ashamed is beyond doubt. This treacherous act—it was nothing less—will not improve the Italian's popularity in Spain where, to put it mildly, they have not made themselves beloved.

Tons of Explosives Seized

What, perhaps, causes most amazement in the Irish bomb outrages which are keeping the police at full stretch is the enormous amounts of explosive materials which the conspirators have been able to amass. It would take too much space to go into details of all the stuff already seized by the police in London, Manchester and Liverpool, but it amounts to many tons. The ordinary citizen, remembering the vast difficulties of purchasing even a modicum of any dangerous substance, wonders how it is done.

The extent of the plot is shown by papers found on men who have been arrested. War time discipline is enforced among the conspirators and their agents are liable to be shot for any disobedience to orders. One of the accused, in Court at Manchester yesterday when asked why he had allowed his car to be used replied "if I hadn't I should have been shot." Another of the papers seized says that England must be attacked through the public services; this will hit the public, who will put pressure on the Government to meet the Irish Republican Army's demands. But this surely suggests that the Irish misread English psychology as badly as perhaps we misread their's.

Policy Reviewed

If one wanted to be sorry for Mr. de Valera, now is the time. Twelve years ago he was fighting Mr. Cosgrave's Public Safety Act, which undoubtedly put down the gunmen of the I.R.A. with all his might. But when he himself came into power he neither declared a republic nor repealed the hated Act.

Realizing for the first time the responsibilities of office, he kept the Act in force until December 1937 when he introduced his new Constitution. And now he is forced to revive the Public Safety Act. It means bad times for the gunmen, who can be arrested and see their houses searched on suspicion, and who are tried in military courts where there are no juries to be intimidated and conscientious witnesses are protected.

But if Mr. de Valera feels sad, the decent Irish people who are weary of outrages do not. And it is in Ireland that the bombing here is really to be fought. Meanwhile England has had enough experience of this sort of terrorism to be seriously disturbed by another fit of it. Such challenges to the English sense of law and order merely brings out volunteers to help the police, not demonstrators to coerce the Government.

Preventive Measures Criticized

The agitation against Sir John Anderson's bomb-proof shelters and the billeting of evacuated children in private houses, and in favour of underground shelters and country camps continues to grow in force. Practically all newspapers, including "The Times," are against the officials in both questions.

I cannot claim any knowledge of protection against bombs, but the evidence appears overwhelming, as gathered in Spain, that only underground shelters are a real protection. Finsbury Borough Council has gained great kudos this week by an exhibition of model underground shelters which it means to construct. They are constructed in descending stages and in peace times will serve as car parks. Really they seem admirable and with far greater capacity than the steel shelters, the cost of them is said to be not much greater.

The billeting of children is as unpopular as any measure that Whitehall ever introduced. Every day letters are published pointing out fresh practical objections. Col. Lionel James, in a letter which "The Times" starred yesterday, recalls that in the last war soldiers in training were billeted on householders all over the country, there certainly cannot be room for them and the children. And arguing that the whole scheme will break down, he asks why our unfortunately rising numbers of unemployed should not be used to build the desired camps.

Which sounds eminently sensible, until one remembers that it strikes at the sacred rights of the work-shy to live in idleness at the community's expense.

Camp for Refugees

Apropos of camps, I see it is reported that "Kitchener's Camp" at Richborough, one of those famous secret camps which were only known as being "somewhere in England" is to be used for the housing of Jewish refugees. Although it has been lying derelict for 20 years, and the ground about it is overgrown with weeds, the buildings were well constructed and are said to be perfectly sound and habitable. Workmen are reported already to be busy in getting it in order, and the first refugees will be artisans who can help in this work.

Expenses are paid out of the Baldwin Fund. The intention is ultimately to draft off the Jewish refugees to wherever work can be found. But the possibility of Richborough camp developing into a new town entirely populated by Jews cannot be overlooked.

It is by no means improbable that the expulsion of the Jews from Germany, constituting as they do some of the best brains in that country, may have results for the world at large as momentous as the expulsion of the Greeks from Constantinople which led to the Renaissance.

Scholars Secure Positions

Already posts have been found in the universities of Oxford, Cambridge, London and elsewhere for 251 exiled scholars from Germany, Austria and Italy. The total number so far expelled is well over 2,000. America has found places for 247, Turkey for 51, France for 37, and so on. These men are scientists, doctors, scholars of all sorts. Besides them, many of the ablest business men and skilled artisans are being driven from Greater Germany and Italy. The folly of the Nazis and Fascists is hardly less conspicuous than their cruelty. History teaches that as Dean Inge puts it "the Jew has always stood by the grace of his persecutor." And wherever the Jew has had a kind reception, he has repaid it a hundred fold.

The notion of a religious organization like the Oxford Group being formed into a public company sounds a little curious, although presumably the Christian Scientists have some such standing, as they certainly own a great deal of property. The intention was disclosed yesterday in the Chancery Courts, when the question was discussed whether the Oxford Group could legally inherit a £500 legacy left by a Hampstead lady to the Group.

The treasurer of the Oxford Group, Mr. R. W. Wilson, claimed that the money should be handed to him. But when the Judge asked to whom Mr. Wilson was accountable his counsel was obliged to say that he didn't know. Further argument on the matter was adjourned, and the Judge was invited to read a book entitled "What is the Oxford Group." To which his Lordship replied "I won't unless it is necessary."

Influence Spreading

Although much less is heard generally about the Oxford Group than two or three years ago (what time Rose Macaulay gently "chipped" it with her delightful irony in "Going Abroad") one gathers that its influence is spreading widely, perhaps as its more sensational features tend to become less prominent. One of the younger generation said to me recently, "Of course all this getting up at meetings and coming clean in public is rot, confessions of that sort don't amount to anything, but all the same there's a great deal underneath which really means something."

The speaker is typical of many young people nowadays who are frankly bored by the formularies of the Anglican Church, yet are by no means fundamentally irreligious. Perhaps it was of such young people that the Archbishop of Canterbury was thinking when he said at the Church Assembly yesterday that we are living in a post-Christian era and advancing to some strange new world.

"I am not sure (he continued) that it would not be correct to say that we may be advancing to a new Christian world, in which Christianity once again is put to the test, and that we are approaching a time when we may be nearer the early Christian ages than we have been for some centuries past.

Proper Drink with Curry

An interesting correspondence has been running in "The Times" on what is the proper drink to take with curry, and opinions differ as widely as the nature of curries themselves. Several writers plump for a Rhine wine (which I think was always served with the famous white curry of Sunday luncheons at a hospitable house in Shanghai which your older readers will well remember under the name of Unkaza).

A professor of the School of Oriental Studies says that the pungent species in a curry kill the wine: half-and-half, bitter and stout, is the thing, as the malt in the stout soothes the palate and the bitter prevents it from being cloying. But an ex-resident of Tanganyika, saying that curry is a special dish of Sunday luncheons in that colony tells us that the only possible concomitant is "black velvet," champagne and stout in equal quantities. They do themselves well in Tanganyika.

One thing in the correspondence surprises me. Various writers speak of curry in India as if it were a dinner dish. I always understood in China that it could never be eaten later than lunchtime, and originally was a breakfast dish.

And interesting change in London is that it has become quite easy to get a decent dish of curry. The Army and Navy Stores restaurant serves it very well, and which is still more remarkable, the popular chain restaurants of Hill & Co., provide quite a decent curry. Only in the numbers of condiments to go with it, London restaurants still fall short. How perfect is a good curry, whatever you drink with it.

The organ of the Savoy Chapel is for sale 'As it Stands', because the space it occupies is required for other purposes, and a new organ is being installed. The organ (built about 75 years ago) is said to be in fair order. The details of the scheme for the restoration of the chapel which dates from 1505 were announced a short time ago. The Chapel is to be the Chapel of the Royal Victorian Order and the King and Queen are to attend the first service in the autumn.

London Unemployed Again Hold up Traffic

Members of the Unemployed Workers' Union in London demonstrating one of their principal poses—lying down in the street and blocking traffic until the police disperse them.

Peiping Conditions Today

Thrifty Chinese Doing Good Business with Many Japanese Their Customers; Few Schools Open

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Peiping, Feb. 28.

THE Chinese New Year passed off much as usual. The casual visitor would scarcely have noticed that Peiping was in the occupation of a foreign invader. The famous fair at the Liulichang and those at the various temples were as full as ever with the usual crowds, dressed in their best clothes, bent on enjoying themselves. Fireworks were permitted this year, and the New Year's Eve fusillade was almost as noisy as ever.

The only people who may possibly have noticed the presence of the Japanese were those professional writers who make out the lucky red strips that are pasted up at the house doors: two vertical and one horizontal. For in certain parts of the city the Hsinminhui had been entering into competition with them and had been issuing these strips free of charge.

The perpendicular ones contained a variety of statements as to the happy effect the new government would have for China in the coming year, while the horizontal strip made the interesting and optimistic assertion: *Chung Jih I Chia* (China Japan one family.) Many Chinese assured me privately that the police had brought these strips round to their houses and ordered them, under threats of dire consequences, to paste them up.

I am, however, not quite convinced of this, and am inclined to believe that the thrifty Chinese householder, never at any time given to wasting his money, if he can get something for nothing, was not at all so loathe, as he would have one believe, to accept these free gifts, and thus save himself a few coppers. However satisfactory this "all one family" slogan may sound in theory, one certainly does not notice much of it in practice, even in pacified and quiescent Peiping. Each of the two "families" keeps very much to itself.

New Japanese Quarter

Nevertheless, Peiping is undoubtedly changing its appearance, and the other family is beginning to make its presence quite markedly felt. The southeastern quarter of the Tartar or Inner City, that is the districts immediately adjoining the Legation Quarter, has now become, in fact if not in name, a proper Japanese quarter. It is no exaggeration to say that in this part of the city one sees more Japanese in the streets than Chinese.

On the main streets about every third shop is Japanese, while in all the hutungs (side lanes) running east from Hatamen Street to the wall are innumerable Japanese cabarets, drinking-places and restaurants. Walking down these lanes after dark, with the red neon lights advertising in Japanese script the names and charms of these various haunts of amusement, one would imagine oneself in some side street in Tokyo rather than in Peiping.

It must, however, be said that these Japanese shops and places of amusement seem to cater solely to their own countrymen. One hardly sees a Chinese in any of the Japanese shops or other places. Up to now, Japanese business would seem to partake of the nature of those famous South Sea islands where the natives live by taking in each others' washing. And as is so often the case in a boom of this kind, it seems that this class of Japanese business is already overcrowded, and no longer a very profitable concern.

Chinese Successful

Many of the old Japanese firms who had snug, comfortable little businesses here before the Incident are now doing very badly owing to unlimited competition, and are beginning to regret the "good old days." On balance, the Chinese, as usual, would seem to be getting the best of it as between the "two families." For, although one does not come across him in Japanese shops, in his own markets and fairs there are always a large number of Japanese soldiers and civilians to be seen making purchases at the Chinese stalls. No doubt, the Japanese are making their purchases in Federal Reserve notes, which, in the long run, the Chinese have got to provide, but for the time being anyhow they are greasing the wheels of the Chinese retail business.

Not only in its outward appearance, but also in the character of its inhabitants, has Peiping undergone a marked change during the last two years. Even after it had ceased to be the capital, it had remained an important Chinese-cosmopolitan centre, with a large number of permanent residents from other parts of China. Many retired officials and other wealthy southerners, liking its climate, its facilities for amusement and its general atmosphere, had made the city their permanent home.

Few Universities Open

Furthermore, nearly half the students in the various universities were from south and central China. All this has now changed. Few of the universities are now open, and in those that are, the proportion of students from outside provinces has been reduced to a minimum. For southerners were the first suspects whose domiciles were searched and who were placed in detention, when the Japanese took over the city. Most of the retired families have also left Peiping, either on account of their connections with the Kuomintang, or alternatively because, although opponents of that party, they were afraid of being offered by the Javanese the doubtful and perilous honour of a post in the provisional government.

For all these reasons, Peiping today, more than at any time during its lengthy existence, has a really homogeneous northern population and has now the air of a purely provincial city.

No Longer Railway Centre

Again, the city, two years or less ago, was an important railway centre. People coming down from Kansu, Sinkiang and the far northwest, or coming up from Szechuen and southwest China, passed through here. In that respect Peiping today is a dead end; it is completely cut off. The Kalgan line is open as far as Potow, but all communication with the north west and Mongolia is completely interrupted; the Hankow line is theoretically open as far the Yellow River, but travel on it even for that limited distance is precarious and uncertain; the same applies to the Tsin-Pu line which only runs as far as Tsinanfu. Peiping is certainly no longer the great railway junction that it once was. The chief users of north China railways are the Japanese themselves who continue to pour into the country in the hope of making their fortunes, a hope that has so far entirely failed to come true.

Japanese Planes Bomb Kweiyang

Great Damage Inflicted In Business Area; 2,000 Killed and Wounded

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Kweiyang, Kwei., Feb. 8.

Kweiyang had its first experience of enemy air raid on September 25, when nine planes came, after bombing the Pingyuenshao airfield seventeen miles to the west and dropped a few bombs on the military camp outside the South Gate leaving the city quite untouched. But on the 4th instant, eighteen planes came and dropped bombs, some incendiary, over a considerable area in the centre of the business section with the result that the whole of the Chungwha Road, Shanshan Road, New Street, South Chungwha Road, Chungshan Road and Chungwha North Road were practically wiped out while parts of a number of other streets were also destroyed.

There seems no room for doubt that those killed number some hundreds. It is probably the greatest calamity Kweiyang has met for very many years. One would not dare to guess the financial loss to all concern.

It would not be correct to say that more than one half of the city has been destroyed, although some people say so, but most of the central business streets are gone; the Big Cross is wiped out.

Business House Destroyed

One striking feature is that very few of the Government centres were damaged while nearly all of the big business houses were destroyed and this raises two suggestions (1) that the Japanese deliberately aimed at the business centres in the hope of disaffecting people against the Government for refusing to discuss peace or (2) that the planes flying so high failed to "get" the Government centres though they aimed at them.

Another remarkable fact is that no Chinese fighting planes appeared to attack the Japanese; friends with experience of other places say that this is not an uncommon thing, but they don't seem able to explain.

The R. C. Nan Tang (South Church) suffered from the bombing as also did the Provincial Hospital (to a less extent) which is near by, but it is probable that this was not deliberate.

Today's local papers estimate the casualties as 2,000 including killed and injured. This experience seems to indicate that the only safe thing to do is to make for the country as soon as the first alarm sounds not returning until the "all clear" is sounded.

The papers state that the Government is urging everyone who can to move into the country and very large numbers are doing so; the roads are filled, with all sorts of furniture being taken out.

The papers also say that the Central Government has wired a large sum of money for the relief of distress, but the figure named is far from enough to meet the need. One can only hope that the benevolently disposed will give largely to meet the situation.

Honanese Observe Lunar New Year

Although Many "Burned Out" People Make Obeisance At Fire God Altar

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Kweiteh, Ho., Feb. 27.

Spring has come at Kweiteh. The farmers do not look for much cold weather after the New Year. The wheat fields are looking green, and the ground in good condition.

From February 21 to 25, (from the first month 4-7 Chinese calendar) there was the usual mass of people attending the Huo Shen T'ai or the fire god altar. It is located one mile southwest of the city, and during this period of worship, it appears that most of the people round for miles come.

The day before the fair starts, merchants arrive on the grounds and set up their tents for business. Beggars crowd along the wayside offering a piteous spectacle, taking whatever alms the people give as they stream by. This year I have seen far more beggars than heretofore.

After the Japanese occupation of this city, in the South suburb, there are estimated to be 300 to 400 houses, and not one house could one see with a roof remaining on it, all were burned. Yet it is significant that those people with ardour sacrificed to the fire god. The Chinese people will not be easily shaken loose from their old customs—nor will any power win their wholehearted allegiance by force of arms. But the ties which fetter and shackle will give and snap. A forced allegiance is a false allegiance.

No Government Outside City

There is practically no government beyond the city, and so the countryside is rife with banditry. Good citizens must contribute to local units for protection, and when these units become too oppressive and get about whatever they can, they move along to another community and virtually rob them of all they can get.

In very many cases good people have to leave their homes and sleep in hiding lest they be taken off and demands made for their release. One would surely welcome a period of order and peace throughout the land. But the people are wonderful in their endurance and in their recovery from loss. After all is said these people have virtues and a future.

Without celebration or fuss of any kind, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, closed on January 21 an unbroken career of five-an-a-half centuries as a hotel and tavern. It is to be pulled down to make room for shops and offices and demolition is to begin on February 8. Mr. Clemow, the landlord, was born in the House. His father and grandfather were landlords before him. Andertons will not altogether cease, however. For a time, at least, the bar will not altogether cease, however. For a time, at least, the bar will continue in a temporary shack during demolition and rebuilding, in order to preserve the licence while its retention is being considered.

The Progress of Science

Notes of Some Recent Researches and Explorations Given by Scientists

THE Astronomer Royal, in his Norman Lockyer Lecture recently mentioned that the presence of an atmosphere on Mars may be proved by infra-red and ultra-violet photographs. The former show permanent markings due to surface features, while the latter do not. As ultra-violet rays do not penetrate gas and mist as well as infra-red, it is concluded that an atmosphere prevents them from reaching the surface and being reflected back to the camera, states a scientific correspondent in the "Manchester Guardian."

When the outline of Mars is photographed by the two sorts of rays images of different size are obtained. The depth of the atmosphere may be calculated from this difference, and it comes out at fifty miles. No oxygen has been detected, and it is certain that Mars's atmosphere contains 1,000 times smaller percentage than the earth's. As the weathering of rocks is absorbing the earth's oxygen, this process has presumably gone much farther on Mars, and the conditions on that planet now foreshadow those which will reign on the earth in the distant future.

The Length of Roots

The exact measurement of the features of plants, made by botanists in the course of their studies of the mechanism of plant growth, reveals some striking figures. E. J. Salisbury has commented on some of these in the Journal of the Royal Horticultural Society. He mentions that T. K. Pavlychenko has measured the total length of the roots and root hairs on isolated oat, wheat, and rye plants. In each case it amounts to about fifty miles. But if these plants are grown in the normal way in rows six inches apart the total root length of each individual is reduced to about half a mile. Thus the competition of the plants reduces their root lengths by one hundred times.

The influence of the development of the finer rootlets and hairs is of some practical importance in connection with transplantation. This process destroys them, so several days or even weeks may pass before a transplant has grown another set. During this period the surface area of the roots through which moisture is absorbed will be much reduced, while the area of the foliage above the soil, through which evaporation of moisture takes place, will remain the same. Hence the plant will lose moisture and wither. This explains why the removal of leaves after transplantation often helps the plant.

Exploring Rocks Under the Sea

The investigation of the rocks miles under the sea seems impossible, but Mr. Ewing has recently shown that it may be done. His methods are being applied off the English coast by E. C. Bullard and T. F. Gaskell, who have reported some preliminary results in "Nature." The Admiralty surveying ship Jason laid instruments for recording earthquake waves at various points along a line extending 170 miles from the Lizard. All of the instruments were connected to the ship, so that their records of incoming waves could be watched simultaneously. At some distance from the line charges of about 60lb. of T.N.T. were lowered to the bottom from a motor-boat and exploded.

Deductions about the composition and structure of the submarine rocks may be made from the differences of time taken by the waves to reach the instruments. It has been found that the upper submarine rocks near the Lizard are 1,000 feet thick and are not granite. This shows that the Channel is not entirely a recent geological formation but developed along the line of a pre-existing basin. Nor is the rock under the sea 170 miles out granite. The explosion waves show that it is sedimentary to a depth of at least several thousand feet.

Decline of Greece and Rome

Sir Daniel Hall in a lecture at the Royal Institution has commented on the influence of soil erosion on the decline of Greece and Rome. Much of the land in the Eastern Mediterranean consists of mountains which do not rise above the snow line. Streams flow from the tops, which under wild conditions are covered with forests. They run down through upland and river meadows into the sea. The Greeks and Romans destroy these forests and did not regenerate them. When the trees had gone the streams turned into fitful torrents and gradually washed the soil down to the plains, where it silted the rivers. This reduced their speed of flow, which was followed by the spread of malarious swamps and the obstruction of harbours. Farming land was destroyed, and with it the agricultural population from which the early and vigorous republics had recruited their armies. The same erosive forces are destroying large parts of the United States, but all the resources of science and engineering are now being used against them. One of the most effective is the planting of kudzu, a creeping leguminous plant which checks the flow of water and binds the soil together, and also replenishes it with nitrogen.

Eliminating Water-Pipe Noises

Nearly everyone will have suffered on some occasion from the hiss in a water-pipe due to a distant tap which is running or leaking or to the vibrations of circulating pumps which may pass along the heating pipes and produce an unpleasant hum in all the rooms of a building.

J. E. R. Constable, of the National Physical Laboratory, has described some interesting experiments for the removal of such noises. He has found that if a length of strong rubber piping is inserted into the iron or lead piping the noises may be rendered inaudible. If the noise is a hiss, and therefore due to a vibration of high frequency, the rubber insert need not be more than a few inches long, but if it is a low hum, such as arises from a pump, a longer one is necessary. Constable found that in order to suppress the hum of a pump in the heating system in a laboratory it was necessary to insert three-foot lengths of large canvas-reinforced rubber hose into the main outflow and return pipes near the pump. Measurement showed that the intensity of the hum in the rooms of the laboratory fell by 95 per cent. after this. During the investigation the effect of clamping rubber washers between the flanges of the iron circulation pipes was measured. The washers produced no detectable diminution in the hum conveyed through the heating system.

Condemned Man Gives Thanks for Kindness

Negro Executed in Texas Appreciates Respite

Huntsville, Texas, Mar. 5.

Wenzell Williams, a negro and the 21st person to be executed in Texas since Governor O'Daniel was inaugurated January 1, died early today after thanking the Governor for having prolonged his life thirty days by a reprieve.

Williams walked calmly from the death cell to the execution chamber, then asked the prison chaplain to thank the Governor. He also thanked the officials of the prison for their kindness during the time he was incarcerated here.—United Press.

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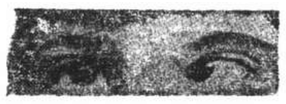

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THE SPORTS PAGE

South Africa Enjoys Strong Position in Test Match

England Knocks Up Only 184 Runs for Five Wickets By Tea Time; Hammond Out

Durban, Mar. 7.

SOUTH Africa secured a strong position in the fourth day of the Fifth Test Match against England by capturing five wickets at the expense of 184 runs. With their leading batsmen out, among them Hutton, Hammond, Paynter and Edrich, England is in a critical position, and will probably have to follow on. The Springboks were on their toes today, Gordon and Langton bowling in inspired fashion on a wicket which though giving some assistance, was not difficult.

The sky was overcast and the wicket dump from rain which lasted until the early morning, when play was resumed on the fourth day of the Fifth Test Match between England and South Africa.

Only 1,500 spectators were on hand when Hutton (24) and Paynter (6) resumed for England, the position then being 35 runs for one wicket. Both batsmen were cautious not taking the slightest chance. The 50 was put on the board after 122 minutes.

Hutton, when his score had reached 38, was run out (64 for two). He lost his wicket through a misunderstanding. Hutton drove a delivery from Gordon and started to run, then he waved back Paynter, who continued to run. Van der Byl returned the ball from midon and Hutton was run out by several yards. He batted for 124 minutes.

At the luncheon interval, England's score was 93 for two wickets, with Paynter (28) and Hammond (11) not out.—Reuter.

Afternoon's Play

There were 4,000 spectators present and the weather was dull and cool when play was resumed after lunch.

The 100 was put on the board after England's innings had lasted 201 minutes.

Paynter survived two appeals for lbw. by Newson.

Soon afterwards, Hammond was stumped by Grieveson off Dalton for 24 runs (126 for three). He attempted to drive the bowler's delivery and was beaten by an off-break. He had stayed for 94 minutes on the crease.

Paynter was bowled by Langton for 62 runs (169 for four), being trapped by a tricky break. He scored three boundaries in an innings of 260 minutes.

The next to go was Edrich, who offered an easy catch to Rowan at silly midon off Langton, after scoring one run (171 for five).

Ames (33) and Valentine (4) were unbeaten at the tea interval, at which time, England's score had reached 184 runs. Ames gave a courageous innings, driving well.

England-1st Innings

Hutton, run out	38
P. A. Gibb, c. Grieveson, b. Newson	4
Paynter, b. Langton	62
W. R. Hammond, st. Grieveson, b. Dalton	24
Edrich, c. Rowan, b. Langton	1
Ames, not out	33
B. H. Valentine, not out	4
K. Farnes, Perks, Verity and Wright did not bat	—
Extras	18
Total (for 5 wckts.)	184

Fall of wickets:—1-9 (Gibb), 2-64 (Hutton), 3-125 (Hammond), 4-169 (Paynter), 5-171 (Edrich).—Reuter.

Rain Halts Play

Durban, Mar. 6.

Steady rain brought play in the Test Match between England and South Africa to a close at 4.49 p.m., when England's score stood at 35, with Hutton and Paynter having accounted for 24 and six runs respectively.

Melville appeared to have strained his leg, and he was limping about towards the close of play.—Reuter.

Marines, American Club Fall Behind

Ten Pins Championship Now Firmly Grasped by Foreign Y.M.C.A.

Dropping two games to the American Club in their own alleys last night, the Fourth U.S. Marines failed to give the Foreign Y.M.C.A. a final run in the Inter-Club Ten Pins League as the "Y" pinmen have virtually won the championship by a total of 16 games won whereas the Marines have 13 won.

With the exception of Cushman, none of the service bowlers was in form. The "leathernecks" took the first game by a comfortable margin, but went down in the remaining sessions. Cushman was the highest-scorer, with a single of 220 which enabled him to pile up a triple of 562.

The Shanghai Race Club completed their fixtures by defeating the Columbia Country Club, winning all three games closely. Watton was outstanding, obtaining a single of 213 and a triple of 560.

An interesting race was seen in the Pine Section of the Second Division. The American Club maintained a small lead by defeating the German Garden Club 2-1 while the Columbia Country Club Acorns rose from third to second position by overcoming the Marine Woodchoppers, 2-1. The Acorns were lucky to win the first game by a margin of one pin, 771-770.

The Americans established a record as the team gained a total of 2,631, eclipsing the mark set previously by the Race Club at 2,588.

In the Maple Section the Race Club captured the championship by winning all three games from the German Garden Club.

AMERICAN CLUB 2

Evans	132	196	178	506
Robinson	149	122	143	474
Barrett	155	123	178	579
Hartnett	122	147	201	476
Deegan	196	164	153	503
	755	872	853	2,478

U.S. MARINES 1

Fuller	150	170	175	495
Lesch	169	141	191	501
Keyes	120	159	159	438
Larcher	176	126	140	442
Cushman	220	181	161	562
	835	777	876	2,436

COLUMBIA CLUB 0

Huebner	155	167	126	443
Cardwell	175	173	141	459
Laidlaw	147	164	180	491
Fielden	163	161	165	489
Hilden	175	140	169	514
	815	805	781	2,401

RACE CLUB 3

Adams	163	144	139	451
A. C. Kew	150	169	194	513
L. C. Kew	177	168	125	463
Watton	169	213	178	560
Clark	172	161	149	482
	836	853	785	2,474

PINE SECTION

American Club (2)	914	884	833	2,631
German G. Club (1)	695	826	905	2,426
Woodchoppers (1)	770	909	837	2,353
C.C.C. Acorns (2)	771	761	888	2,420

MAPLE SECTION

C.C.C. Bears (0)	763	719	744	2,246
Race Club (3)	846	815	782	2,443
Swiss Club (1)	715	862	725	2,302
Golds (2)	780	776	734	2,290

Grand National Call-over

London, Mar. 6.

The call-over for the Grand National, which is to be run over a distance of four miles and 856 yards at Liverpool on March 24, is as follows:—

13—2. Kilstar, offered, 7-1, taken
100—8. Teme Willow, taken and offered
100—8. Workman, offered, 100-7, taken
100—6. Rock Quilla, taken and offered
100—6. Royal Danieli, offered
20—1. Royal Mail, taken and offered
20—1 Underbid, offered, 22-1 taken
25—1. MacMoffat, Cooleen, taken and offered
33—1. Airgeadsios, offered, 40-1 taken
35—1. Argead Sios, offered 40-1 taken

Teme Willow hardened the market after winning the three miles and three furlongs Chase at Birmingham, beating Montrejeau by thirteen lengths, although conceding 21 pounds.—Reuter.

F. A. Cup Semi-Finals

London, Mar. 6.

Following is the draw in the semi-finals of the F.A. Cup, which will be played on March 25:—

Portsmouth *v.* Huddersfield or Blackburn Rovers on Arsenal's ground.

Wolverhampton *v.* Grimsby Town on Manchester United's ground.—Reuter.

Patty Berg Wins Florida Golf Title

St. Augustine, Florida, Mar. 4.

Miss Patty Berg, the national women's golf champion, today equalled the course record for women at the St. Augustine links while defeating Miss Betty Jameson of San Antonio, Texas, for the Florida East Coast golf championship, three and two. Miss Berg's medal score for the eighteen holes was 72.—United Press.

Scottish Cup Semi-finals

London, Mar. 6.

The following are semi-finals in the Scottish Cup, to be played on March 25:—

Hibernian v. Clyde, on the Heart of Midlothians' ground;

Aberdeen v. Motherwell, on the Glasgow Rangers' Ground.—Reuter.

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Trophy to Erin Villa League Champions

After many a long battle with their rivals in the Erin Villa Invitation Volleyball League, the Women's Sports Section of the Foreign Y.M.C.A. emerged triumphant and the team's captain, is here seen accepting the Hathaway Cup from Mr. Wilbur Judd on whose right is Mr. A. C. Dobbie, the team's coach. From left to right: O. Ilnitskaya, H. Bugaeff, E. Zalmanoff, J. Premet, E. Gladkoff and Fira Gershevich (capt.).

Final Spunt Cup Rugger Matches This Week-end

Marines Made Slight Favourites Over Club to Win Trophy; Six Matches Arranged

WITH only two more complete week-ends left for rugby football, the second of which will be partly taken up by the Seven-A-Side Tournament, the Shanghai Rugby Union Football Club Committee has arranged a schedule of games for the coming Saturday and Sunday which, if the weather is kind to players and supporters, will definitely decide the winners of the Spunt Cup in the First and Second Division.

Six matches have been planned, three for Saturday and a similar number for the following afternoon. Cup play takes the spotlight in half the encounters, the remainder being of a friendly nature.

The game which will attract most attention of course, is that between the Club 1st XV and the U.S. Marines senior side starting at 3 p.m. on Saturday. A mighty close struggle can be expected. The Americans will be all out to prove that their previous victory over the Club was no flash in the pan, while the civilians will do their level best to impress on their opponents that the manner in which they accounted for Hongkong's interport side was a fair sample of the game they can turn out when required.

It is a pity that Mayne will not be seen out, owing to injuries received in the Colony, while it is still uncertain whether White and Pearson have fully recovered from the knocks they gathered in the interport match. Nevertheless, Kennedy has a pack of forwards who can play really brilliant football and should he be able to work them into that frame of mind where they give only their best many local enthusiasts may be rather surprised at the ultimate result.

Marine Forwards Fast

The Marine forwards are all very fast, powerfully built and in the peak of physical condition and the way in which they have improved since their initial appearance this season has surprised even their most severe critic.

It would seem that this match will, first and foremost, be a battle of the rival packs with the odds on the "leathernecks." If, however, the Club can secure the ball with any degree of success, then the outsides should be able to break through what, up to the present, has been an almost impregnable defence, since the American backs have definitely not shown the progress their forwards have.

In another very important clash to determine which team will meet Tung Wen College in the Second Division Final of the trophy on Sunday, the Club 2nd XV and Area Details meet at 2.15 p.m. on Saturday. The soldiers are likely to win, now being strengthened by the inclusion of several members of the East Surrey Regiment. With Wallis, Kerrich, Hill, Crowe, Hamlin, Evans, Hall and Barclay in the Army side, the Club will have its hands full from the word "go," but there should not be a great margin in the final result. The Club's backs look impressive and providing the pack, slightly weakened by players moving up into the senior side, can get the ball back with any degree of regularity, a fine struggle should be witnessed.

Dorsetshire Favoured

On the same day, the Seaforth Highlanders oppose the Club 3rd XV in a friendly encounter. The Club side should gain the day by virtue of having the speedier outsides.

On Sunday at 2.15 p.m. H.M.S. Dorsetshire should have little difficulty in taking the measure of the U.S. Marines 2nd XV if a full team is fielded. The British sailors come here with the reputation of being one of the best cruiser sides to have arrived in Shanghai this season.

Tung Wen College will meet the winners of the previous day's game between Area Details and the Club 2nd XV at 3 p.m. on Sunday and although the collegians will hold a distinct advantage in not being called upon to play twice in two days, they will be very hard put to it to get the better of either of the other fifteens. The Japanese are not playing as well at present as they were earlier on and the loss of Hara, their star place kicker and inside-three, who is suffering from appendicitis, weakens the team still more. Providing Saturday's game does not take its toll in injuries, the students are picked to lose.

SATURDAY

2.15 p.m. Club 2nd XV *v.* Area Details (Referee: Mr. G. S. Dunkley) (Spunt Cup).

3 p.m. Club 1st XV *v.* U.S. Marines 1st XV. (Referee: Mr. McLaren) (Spunt Cup Final).

3.30 p.m. Seaforth Highlanders *v.* Club 3rd XV (Referee: Rev. P. C. Matthews).

SUNDAY

2.15 p.m. U.S. Marines 2nd XV *v.* H.M.S. Dorsetshire (Referee: Mr. R. D. K. Silby).

3 p.m. Club 2nd XV or Area Details *v.* Tung Wen College (Spunt Cup Second Division Final) (Referee: Mr. D. W. Leach).

3.30 p.m. Club/Seaforths XV *v.* Shanghai Nipponjin (Referee: Mr. E. R. West).

Club Teams

CLUB FIRST XV:—W. H. B. Rigg; J. W. M. Martin, R. H. Roe, L. F. Aucott, I. M. Hutchison; A. G. White, R. Laird; W. D. Pearson, M. N. Speyer, G. H. Reynolds, R. P. J. Stewart, R. U. Reynolds, J. R. M. Warner, P. B. Tay and A. M. Kennedy (Captain).

CLUB SECOND XV:—J. L. R. Mair; O. P. Edwards, A. P. D. Kennedy, A. Thomas, P. J. A. Innes; A. S. Read, T. R. Bassett; J. March, C. H. Hodgman, D. M. Wheeler, G. A. Yanus, J. D. Sayle, D. I. Campbell, R. G. Daniel and W. J. Richmond (Captain).

CLUB THIRD XV:—B. R. Brown; E. S. Blackwood, R. N. Bryant, S. J. Ward, L. R. St. Louis; B. H. McMichael, R. Dickinson; J. R. Blaikie, F. W. Gilbert, A. L. A. Bonbernard, G. L. Hinds, R. V. Stapleton-Cotton, W. V. K. Chadwick, F. W. Poate and S. M. Thornley (Captain).

CLUB/SEAFORTHS XV:—E. A. J. Fabian, R. E. Moon, A. G. Davis, E. Lang, R. J. Sheppard, R. J. Lucas, R. Green, L. D. M. Beattie, W. P. Hetherington, P. S. Hawkins and five Seaforths.

Those selected to play for Club sides and unable to turn out are requested to inform Mr. A. M. Kennedy (Telephone 12823) to this effect not later than 5 p.m. Friday so that arrangements may be made to replace them.

Surprise Outcome in Women's League

Volleyball Title Won by Foreign Y.M.C.A.

The Erin Villa Invitation Volleyball League for Women was brought to an exciting finish when the Women's Sports Section of the Foreign Y.M.C.A. scored a somewhat surprise victory over the Aldesi Whites last week by a score of 10-15, 15-13, 15-12 and captured the championship.

The Whites were expected to emerge victorious, possessing a well balanced team and having shown steady form since the opening of the competition in the first week of January. In the first set the Whites played in their usual smooth fashion and did not find much trouble to take the lead. When the second set started the Whites continued to dominate but all of a sudden the team came to a standstill, allowing the "Y" ladies to catch up and finally overtake them. The ultimate winners broke the 13-all deadlock through accurate service and the Whites lost two successive points owing to over-anxiousness.

Whites Rattled

The same story was told in the third and final set. The Whites, although hanging to a small lead, became rattled by their opponents' steadfastness. The score was tied on numerous occasions but the highly-touted Whites simply could not make the grade and again bowed in defeat.

Sokol caused an even bigger surprise by defeating the strong Erin Villa "A" sextette in two straight sets of 15-8 and 15-14, in spite of a great rally staged by the losers towards the end. As a result of this victory, the Russians finished third in the competition.

The second team of Erin Villa, however, was victorious against the Keyes by 15-7 and 15-11. The Post-Mercury beat the Blues, 15-8 and 15-11.

Final Standings

	Won	Lost	P'ct.
"Y" W.S.S.	8	0	1.000
Aldesi Whites	7	1	.875
Sokol	6	2	.666
Erin Villa "A"	5	3	.625
Post-Mercury	4	4	.500
Keys	2	6	.333
Blues	2	6	.333
Erin Villa "B"	2	6	.333
Yellows	0	8	.000

Gallant Race Pony To Run No More

Pride of Cire Stable Lost With Sudden Death of Silkylight

News has just been received in Shanghai of the passing away of that great Hongkong race pony "Silkylight"—his death occurring yesterday evening, the 6th instant.

This pony during a short racing career has created a record for himself—during a short duration—which can be envied in many China ponies in the future.

"Silkylight" made his entry on the Hongkong Race Course during the year 1938—and carried before him all the principal events of the year, including:—

The Maiden Stakes
The Hongkong Derby
The Hongkong Spring Champions
The Hongkong St. Leger
The Hongkong Autumn Champions

In the running of the Hongkong St. Leger in November, 1938—the record for this race was broken by three and three fifths seconds, whilst in the Autumn Champions, run in December, 1938, the official record of the Champions Course was broken by two and three fifths seconds—this particular record standing today at 2 mins. 21 2/5 secs. for the 1¼ miles.

During the present recent Hongkong Race Meeting, he won his three races on each of the first three days of the Hongkong Race Meeting, with the greatest ease—and established himself as an outstanding favourite for the Champions—which was to be run the next day.

Sudden Illness

Most unfortunately a very sudden illness occurred to the pony during the night just prior to the running of The Champions which eliminated this grand race pony from the opportunity of showing his racing powers in The Champion another time.

"Silkylight" was the favourite of Mr. Cire and a great deal of grief and anxiety was caused to his owner, when this gallant race horse fell ill on the night before The Champions from which illness the pony never revived.

The cause of the pony's death is unknown.

"May its grand racing spirit rest in peace."

Giants Move to Baton Rouge

Hot Springs, Ark., Mar. 5.

The New York Giants said farewell to Hot Springs today and moved to their principal training camp at Baton Rouge, La. Several members of the squad have been ill recently of influenza but all were sufficiently recovered to make the trip to Louisiana.—United Press.

Wind Registering Apparatus

Paris, (by mail)

The secretary of French Athletic Federation has proposed the use at future athletic meetings in the country of an apparatus which can determine the strength of the wind.

If a record is then broken and the following wind does not, according to the instrument, exceed the stipulated force there would, on that account, be no reason for the refusal of the record by the International Federation.—Reuter.

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Coral Gables, Mar. 5.

Dick Metz of Lake Forest, Illinois, and Kay Lafoon of Chicago, the defending champions in the sixteenth annual International Four Ball Tournament at the Miami Biltmore links here, were eliminated in the first round by Johnny Farrel and Willy Klein, who defeated them 3 and 2.

Other unexpected victims today were Harry Cooper and Jimmy Thomson, who lost one up in 37 holes to Tony Manero and Lawson Little. Craig Wood and Billy Burke beat Gene Sarazen and Walter Hagen, 2 and 1. Dutch Harrison and R. Mangrum defeated Byron Nelson and Frank Walsh, 4 and 2. Sam Snead and Ralph Guldahl became the new favourites by beating Frank Moore and Willie Goggin, 6 and 5.—United Press.

Recs to Meet A.S.F.

The following have been chosen to represent the S.R.C. in a league soccer match v. A.S.F. on Saturday on R.G.2. Kew, L. C., Lee, W., Mingozzi, D., Baker, N.H., Symons, A., Senechenko, V., Kapustin, T., Favacho, R., England, H., Madar, H.P., Markitant, B. Reserves: Kushuereuko, A., Kosloff, T.

A DARK future for Europe was predicted by Dr. Eduard Benes, former President of Czechoslovakia who participated in a round-table discussion of world events which was broadcast throughout the country from Chicago. Dr. Benes said that unless tension which is producing current problems in Europe is settled peacefully, "there will be either war or bankruptcy, collapse and revolution."

Lincolnshire Call-over

London, Mar. 6.

The call-over for the Lincolnshire Handicap, which is to be run at Lincoln on March 22 over a distance of one mile, is as follows:—

10—1 Domaha
100—8 Galsonia
100—6 Aldine, offered
18—1. St. Andrew
25—1. Temeraire Dundee, taken and offered
28—1 Daily Bread offered
28—1. Halcyon Gift, offered, 33-1 taken
35—1 Pantryman, offered, 40-1 taken
50—1 Squadron Castle, offered, 66-1 taken.—Reuter.

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H.M.S. Dorsetshire Outclasses Colleoni's Football Team

Only Brilliant Work by Italian Goalie Holds Score Down to 3-1; Ball Control Difficult

IN a friendly football match, played at Kiaochow Park yesterday afternoon the soccer teams of H.M.S. Dorsetshire and the Italian cruiser R. N. Colleoni opposed each other in a fast and interesting game, the British team winning by the score of 3-1. The ground was in a very sodden state which made the ball do many unexpected things. The ball was slippery and difficult to control and mainly due to this fact, the Italian goalkeeper, in attempting to stop a hard shot from L. Tel. Chappell was hit in the face, but the injury proved to be superficial.

The opening stages of the game were fought on Italian territory, but owing in no small way to the brilliance of the Italian goalkeeper, the British "tars" were unable to pierce the opposing defence until the game had been in progress for half an hour or so, when L. Tel. Chappell, snapping up a pass from the right wing beat the Italian custodian from close range.

The Italian forwards were seldom allowed to carry out any organised scheme of attack, being tackled immediately they received the ball by the British halves. At half-time the score was 1-0 in the British team's favour.

On the change over the Italian side seemed to be more together, and served up quite a good show, without however, opening their score. The Dorsetshire went further ahead when, following a short passing movement between the whole forward line, A. B. Morrill, accepting the ball from his centre-forward, sent in a shot which left the Colleoni goalkeeper cold, from a range of approximately ten yards.

This goal was followed by the hard shot which hit the Italian goalkeeper in the face, afterwards entering the net to make the score 3-0 for the British side.

In the closing fifteen minutes the Italians, lasting the distance better than their opponents, had the greater portion of the game, and scored through their centre-forward.

Sports Reporter Goes to Sea

Studies Wooden Horses With Critical Eye; As Popular as Seasickness

By Henry McLemore

Aboard S.S. Matsonia, Mar. 6.

Somewhere back in my family there must have been a postman who took long walks on his day off, or a sailor who rowed on the local lake when he was in from sea.

Here I am, with two thousand miles of open water between me and any sports event of general interest, but instead of sitting down and minding my own business I go nosing around the boat covering all the games that are being played. Honestly, if Joe Louis, Don Budge, Seabiscuit and all the others whose names make news in sport were on board, I couldn't be any busier.

Take the afternoon horse races, for example. As you know, racing on shipboard is conducted with wooden horses (in that respect it isn't unlike some tracks I know) who progress according to the numbers that are thrown on dice.

Unlike the other passengers, I am unable to approach this game casually and simply make a little bet for the fun if it. No, I have spent too many afternoons in the press box at Churchill Downs, Pimlico, Santa Anita, and Hialeah for that. It is serious business with me. Out of habit I try to get information on the dummy horses, and the little cardboard jockeys rigidly astride them. Which are the horses that run best when the ship is pitching, and which ones like a rolling track? Where is the past performance sheets, showing how the horses fared the last time out on the trip in from Honolulu?

Straight Grain Withers

I even found myself studying the conformation of the oak, pine and redwood horses, hoping I suppose, to find one with knot-free, straight grain withers and fetlocks that was a cinch to win.

The fact that I am unable to look on any sporting events, even the carefree, impromptu ones on a boat bound for Hawaii, without a critical eye, has, I'm afraid, made me a trifle unpopular with my fellow voyagers. Only this afternoon I broke up a game of deck tennis between a Mr. and Mrs. Jamieson by calling foot faults on Mr. Jamieson. The second time I yelled "foot faults" just as Mr. Jamieson was starting to serve he quite unreasonably lost his temper and told me to mind my own business.

"But you're doing the same thing Adrian Quist did in his Davis Cup match with Don Budge last summer," I explained. "It is quite unfair to Mrs. Jamieson."

Unwelcome Critic

"Confound it," Mr. Jamieson exploded, "This isn't the Davis Cup matches and I'm not Adrian Quist and my wife isn't Don Budge. Furthermore, Mrs. Jamieson has been foot-faulting just as much as I have."

"I have not, Wilton," Mrs. Jamieson Angrily replied.

"You have so," he screamed. They were just coming out for the fifth round, with Mrs. Jamieson leading on points, when I left and went to cover the shuffle-board semi-finals. I had covered the quarter-finals and all the participants in the round of four gripped their sticks more firmly when I arrived.

"You'll have to match for ends," I said, as I sat down, pencil poised.

"Who says so" scowled a fellow in tweeds.

Japanese Beetle

"The rules," I said. "I covered the National Shuffle-Board Tournament at Daytona Beach, Florida, one time, and the teams always matched for ends. My guess is that if you don't match here, the result won't be official and won't count."

By what seemed to be common consent they all moved to the shuffle-board space on the other side of the deck, and I hurried off to cover the swimming in the ship's pool. When I got back to my cabin I found an "anonymous" note signed by Mr. and Mrs. Jamieson suggesting that I come to the costume party tonight as a Japanese beetle. I can't understand why they suggested that, because a Japanese beetle is nothing but a pest.—United Press.

Vines Predicts Perry Will Defeat Budge

New York, Mar. 5.

Ellsworth Vines, the dethroned kind of professional tennis, predicted today that Fred Perry of England will beat red-haired Don Budge on their tour which opens Friday with a match at Madison Square Garden.

Insisting that there was no "sour grapes" spirit behind his prognostication, Vines said Perry has the variety of strokes, the amazing court coverage and the steadiness necessary to conquer Budge.

Vines said his own match in Montreal tomorrow night will be his last professional appearance on the American continent.—United Press.

Intercollegiate Ski Title

Yosemite, Calif., Mar. 5.

The University of Nevada won the Pacific Coast inter-collegiate ski championship today, dethroning the University of Washington, which had held the championship for three years. With many of the most promising young snowmen of the West competing, the Nevadans piled up a total of 3,967 points in four events over the three days of the meet. Washington was second with 3,800 points.—United Press.

Chances This Year of Connie Mack's Club

New Material Collected To Bolster Team

New York, Mar. 3.

His club finished last in the league race, last in club fielding and last in club batting, but Manager Connie Mack has hopes and high ones of the Philadelphia Athletics moving up this year.

A wide-open fight for all positions, the largest spring squad in the club's history and four regulars who hit .300 or better, are the three things that stand out about the 1939 edition of the A's.

Most cynical observers believe that Mack's outfit will have to come up with a pair of Joe DiMaggios and and a brace of Bob Fellers from their rookie contingent, eighteen of whom are pitchers. But supporters of the movement to hold the next World Series in Shibe Park will tell you that A's finished down in the American League cellar, only two games out of 7th place while the National League's tailenders were so awful, they floundered 24½ games behind the 7th place Brooklyn Dodgers.

New Material

Right after last season's close, Mack started buying and now has spent all of his surplus in bringing new and better players to augment last year's crew. He has the largest by illness but took turns in the outfield and the pitching mound just to edge into the .300 circle. Sam Chapman, the other fly-chaser, and ex-Pacific Coast football star, made a fast start but slowed down to .259 at the season's end.

When he thinks of his infield, Mack goes in an "open-mind-at-every-position" stage. Every spot has two or three candidates.

Dick Siebert is probably the most certain of his spot at first. There will be a survival-of-the-fittest with Dario Lodigiani having the edge at second. Bill Lillard, the Coast "wow" will have the first chance at shortstop, and at the hot corner, Joe Gantenbein from Toronto and Bill Nagel from Little Rock will attempt to beat Billy Werber out of his job.

And that is the mixture of faces, old, new and otherwise that Mack will try to blend into a club that will climb, at least out of the cellar. —United Press.

Wakisva Leads in Yacht Race to Havana

Aboard Coast Guard Cutter Nemesis, Mar. 5.

Mr. Edward S. Harkness' 69-foot yacht Wakisva was sighted today narrowly leading the Blitzen, a 55-footer owned by Mr. R. F. Reynolds, in the tenth annual yacht race from St. Petersburg to Havana. None of the other eleven starters were near the two leaders.—United Press.

Drysdale Breaks Third World Mark

Coral Gables, Fla., Mar. 5.

Taylor Drysdale today set a new world record for the 100-yard backstroke, swimming the distance in 1 min. 8 sec. 1 2/10 sec. under the previous record.

It was the third swimming record Drysdale has broken in three weeks. —United Press.

Eric Boon in Training

Trotting through the market place at Ely is Eric Boon, new British lightweight boxing champion who recently scored a technical knockout over Danahar to win the title. He is seen here on the right with "Kid" Silver and Nat Sellars (centre) his trainer.

Local Badminton Championships

Eight Entries Attracted By Whalley International Shield Tourney

Badminton championships are beginning at once and this year include six categories: Whalley Shield (International), Men's Singles, Men's Doubles, Women's Singles and Doubles and Mixed Doubles. The draw for all these contests is given below.

By Monday next all first round matches are to be completed and from there the championships will progress at a fast enough rate to allow the finals in all divisions to be held on March 27 and 28.

Of particular interest is the fact that eight nationalities have entered teams in the Whalley Shield competition, these being Portugal, France, China, England, Australia, North America, Denmark and Scotland. The draws, time schedules and rules for the championships follow.

Whalley Shield

First Round.—Portugal *v.* France; China *v.* England; Australia *v.* North America; Denmark *v.* Scotland.

First round to be completed by March 13 and semi-finals by March 23. Final to be played on March 27 or 28.

Men's Doubles

First Round.—Wong and Tseng *v.* Sequeira and Guterres.

Second Round.—Kew and Stokes *v.* Laxter and Fuff; De Senna and Silva *v.* winners of first round match; Flood and Meise *v.* Ginsburg and Chaillan; Eardley and Shellam *v.* Squires and Sullivan.

First round to be completed on or before March 15 and second round on or before March 16; semi-finals on or before March 24 and final on March 27 or 28.

Ladies' Singles

Wilkinson: Mrs. Maitland *v.* Mme. des

First Round.—Mrs. Gresley *v.* Mrs. Courtils Miss Eardley *v.* Miss Holwill.

Second Round.—Mrs. Perkins *v.* winner of last-named first round match.

First round to be completed on or before March 13 and semi-finals on or before March 23. Final to be played on March 27 or 28.

Ladies' Doubles

First Round.—Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Sinclair *v.* Mrs. Remedios and Mrs. Collaco; Mrs. Gresley and Miss Holwill *v.* Mrs. Perkins and Mrs. Jorgensen.

Semi-final Round.—Mme. des Courtils and Miss Eardley *v.* winners of first-named first round match; Mrs. Maitland and Mrs. Burton *v.* winners of last-named first round match.

First round to be completed on or before March 13 and semi-final round on or before March 23. Final on March 27 or 28.

Men's Singles

First Round.—Kew *v.* da Silva; T. Wong *v.* Baxter; Meise *v.* Squires.

Second Round.—Eardley *v.* C. T. Ling; Shellam *v.* winner of last-named first round match; Stokes *v.* Duff.

First round to b ecompleted on or before March 13, second round on or before March 18; semi-finals on or before March 23 and final on March 27 or 28.

Mixed Doubles

First round.—Mrs. Wilkinson and Kew *v.* Mrs. Remedios and de Senna.

Semi-finals.—Miss Eardley and Eardley *v.* winners of first round match; Mrs. Burton and Meise *v.* Miss Harrop and Shellam.

First round to be completed on or before March 13 and semi-finals on or before March 23. Final on March 27 or 28.

Matches shall be the best of three sets of fifteen points with setting. The first named competitor in each bracket shall be responsible for arranging the venue and time for the rounrs up to the final. In the event of disputes over the venue the matter will be arranged by "tossing." The Association shall arrange venue and time for play in the final. The results must be forwarded in writing by the winners on the day following the match to the hon. secretary, Mr. J. G. Forbes. All disputes will be referred in writing through the hon. secretary to the Executive Committee of the Association whose decision will be final.

How a Preacher Beat Bobby Jones

Memphis, Tenn., Mar. 6.

Dr. Robert G. Lee, pastor of the Bellevue Baptist church here, believes he is the only preacher who ever defeated Bobby Jones playing golf.

Dr. Lee and Golfer Jones met on a New Orleans course. They did not know each other and the partner of each was late. While waiting they decided to play a few holes.

Dr. Lee made the first hole in regulation par three figures. But Jones drove his tee shot into the rough and took a four.

"I quit then," Dr. Lee said, "so I could say I had beaten him."—United Press.

Important Games Today In Chess Tourney

Draw for Matches to Be Played this Evening

The tenth round of the Shanghai Qualification Chess Tournament will be played at the International Chess Club today. As the tournament is now nearing the end, nearly all games have decisive importance for the final ranking within the individual groups. The complete draw for the round is as follows:

Tonight's Matches

First Category.—Krouck-Stenkevich, Feodoroff-Fineland, Lapiken-Mess, Pancheko-Wagner, Williams - Kosovsky-Stasinevich-bye.

Second "A."—Boidman-Yang, Gavriloff-Kosloff, Ross-Karnteeff, Toochinsky-Rosenblatt, Galkin-Ely, Haritonoff-Jiritsky.

Second "B."—Karmiloff-Diniz, Zerkovitz-Shaniavsky, Roudniansky-Serejnikoff.

Third "A."—Razmazin-Chernoff, Politsky-Efimoff, Galkin-Bolotinsky, Goretovsky-Lochhart, Boxer-bye.

Third "B."—Levy-Ozeriansky, Koptilin-Kroupnik, Proskuriakoff-Rticheff, Sabouroff-Dr. Wrany, Vinokouroff-Kohlhauser, Kahan-bye.

Fourth.—Swen-Roytenberg, Bonieckl-Gailevitch.

"Drive in" Boxing Now Expected

Customers to See Bouts From Motor Cars If New Idea Successful

Cleveland, O., Mar. 6.

Jerry Sachs, who helped Johnny Kilbane teach boxing to soldiers during the World War, plans to return to the fight game—and to establish a "drvie-in" open-air prize ring.

"It ought to go over big," he said, "and I plan to use my ranch out near Geneva, O. They have drive-in theaters, drive-in hot dog stands, drive-in anything, so why not drive-in fights? It's a natural!"

Sachs plans to sell his customers 5-cent beer, while they watch the fights from the comfort of their automobiles.

"I'll make things generally enjoyable," he said, "in a nice, refined, way."

Sachs, whose name originally was spelled Jeremiah Sacha, gave up training, promoting and managing fighters ten years ago after having made a nationwide reputation as the manager of Johnny Klesch, Al Corbett, Gilbert Yankee and other ranking fighters.

He established a "health ranch" and gymnasium.

"But now I'm tired of reducing waistlines and the circles under the eyes of weary business men," said 44-year-old Sachs, who has spent the last decade as a "reducing engineer."

Boxing Memories

"I think the fight game is due for an up-swing, like everything else, and besides, I want to go to work again with the youngsters who can punch."

In the '20s Jerry had a stable of "youngsters who could punch" and he sent them in all over the country.

"Al's deputy sheriff now," Sachs said. "And Johnny Klesch was another great fighter. He'd be a middleweight champ in today's Crop, but he came up into a class of great ones those days. Johnny's running a restaurant now. I remember when he was fighting the topnotchers like Bryan Downey, Mike McTigue, and Young Stribling!"

Just a Teacher

Another one of the Sachs' "boys" to rise to a considerable height was Big Boy Murphy, once national amateur heavyweight champion.

"But he's just a high school principal now," said Sachs sadly.

Gilbert Yankee once fought under the Sachs banner, and earned enough to go through college. He still has a hand in the fight game, however, and owns a piece of Eddie Simms, heavyweight who met Joe Louis two years ago.

"I once told Yankee he ought to be a dentist, with a name like his," said Sachs, "and sure enough, that's what he studied. He's filling them, and yanking them, and making money, I understand."—United Press.

Pittsburgh Coach Resigns

Pittsburgh, Penn., Mar. 5.

Dr. John B. ("Jock") Sutherland, one of the nation's leading football coaches, said today that he had resigned as head coach at Pittsburgh University. His action was understood to be due to his dissatisfaction with the treatment given his football players at the University, specially since football scholarships and other financial aids to players were withdrawn in the course of a campaign to "purify" athletics at Pittsburgh.

In the heated arguments evoked by the "purification" campaign, Dr. Sutherland took the position that the football players earned money for the University and were entitled to financial assistance as much as needy students who worked in the university cafeteria were entitled to their wages.

His resignation was submitted in a letter he sent the Chancellor of the University, Dr. John Bowman, Saturday.

It was reported here today that Dr. Sutherland was negotiating with Mississippi State University to go there as coach at a salary of $13,500. —United Press.

Racing Driver Killed

Milan, Mar. 7.

The 27-year-old Italian racing driver Renzo Cantoni was accidentally killed yesterday while carrying out a trial run with a Maserati car on the Monza racing track.—Trans-Ocean.

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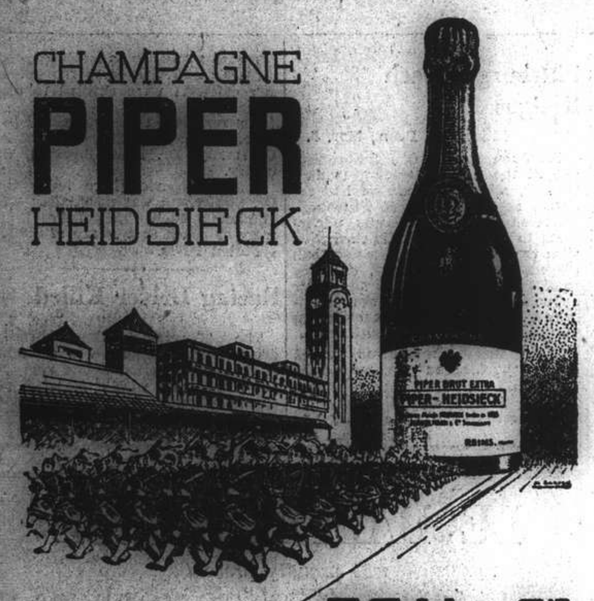

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NEARING THE END?

While it still remains to be seen whether the formation of a new government by Spanish Nationalists will bring peace without further fighting, there is much significance to be found in the fact that the Communist section of the Republican supporters has sustained a severe and telling defeat. The *coup d'état* carried out on Sunday, under the leadership of Col. Casado, arose from a coalition of all Republican parties, with the exception of the Communists in opposition to the Senor Juan Negrin's "unconstitutional, dictatorial, and pro-Communist policies," this movement dating as far back as February 2. A Havas message clearly sets out the position of the Republican Government with regard to the nature of the support it commanded. When it was made quite clear by President Azana that in no circumstances would he return to Spain the Republican parties divided into three blocs, firstly, the moderate Republicans which demanded that the President should return, and that Senor Negrin should resign, secondly, a Socialist-Anarchist-Trade-Unionist bloc anxious to respect constitutional lawfulness, and, thirdly, the Communist party which backed the Negrin administration unreservedly. Despite the fact that Senor Negrin endeavoured to bolster his position by allocating key-positions to Communists and bidding for the support of the army, the parties opposed to him under the leadership of Col. Casado and Senor Bosteiro succeeded in bringing about the coup which results in the Communists not only being deprived of their commanding position, but in their being cast into outer darkness. This may very well have the effect of producing a situation in which it may be possible for the more moderate elements now in the saddle to negotiate a peace, which would have been impossible had the Communists succeeded in maintaining their control of the Republican Government. It may even mean that the new government will in the end even consent to the unconditional surrender which General Franco demands, and which the Communists were bent on refusing, as much as anything in the hope of being able to save their own skins.

That view is to some extent offset by the declaration of the intention to fight to the last for an independent Spain, but that need not necessarily mean continuance of the resistance against General Franco, but rather that the parties forming the new Republican Government anticipate a time when Spain shall be freed of the alien troops which made General Franco's victory possible. The substitution of a purely national objective such as this for communistic ideology, is one of the most striking developments in recent Spanish history, and may lead to the much desired peace. That view is strengthened by the fact that General Miaja, the gallant defender of Madrid, has returned to the capital, emerging from that obscurity into which developments of a short while ago drove him The new President, Senor Martinez Barrio, in welcoming the General's return spoke of him as the man best capable of reaching an understanding with General Franco for the settlement of the conflict, but the President is in all probability sadly misinformed if he believes for one moment that General Franco will consent to the continued existence of the Republican Government even though its political complexion has been changed by the expulsion of the Communists. He will still require unconditional surrender, and the establishment of a form of government more in consonance with his own political ideals, and it is plain from all that has happened during the past years that old constitutional ideas will have to give place to some form of totalitarian government, perhaps not entirely similar to the patterns of Germany and Italy, but at any rate a long way away from the form which at present exists in Spain. It is not to be assumed that with the surrender of the Republican Government General Franco's problems will come to an end. Indeed it may even prove to be the case that his difficulties will be just about commencing, for there are many important and difficult problems which will have to be decided before it will be possible to establish a new government having any degree of permanency about it.

His first difficulty will be to secure the withdrawal of alien troops which have supported him, for while it has been announced time and again that Italy will withdraw the levies which have been sent to Spain there is every reason to believe that a very wide margin separates those promises and their ultimate fulfilment. Then again, as is the case with the Republican side, he has had to depend upon a coalition of parties, all of whom will want a say in the final settlement of the country. There are the Falangists, the Reguetes, the Monarchists, and so on, all of whom will require their pound of flesh for the support which they have given him, and if General Franco experiences great difficulty in satisfying them all, it will not be a matter occasioning any very great surprise. Be that as it may the fact still remains that the gulf between the parties which General Franco leads, and those now supporting the Republican Government is much smaller now that the Communist extremists have been eliminated, and in these changed conditions it may very well prove to be the case, that General Miaja may be able to negotiate a settlement, which otherwise might have been impossible. It is to be hoped that he will succeed in doing so. With the forces which General Franco is centring upon Madrid, it would appear that no matter how desperately the Republicans might fight to defend the capital the end could only be one of defeat and a bloody one at that. With all the misery and suffering which has been inflicted on Spain up to the present, the prospect of even more bloodshed, and useless withal, can be witnessed with nothing but the gravest anxiety and horror. In the circumstances even unconditional surrender may commend itself to such men as General Miaja. It certainly would not to the Communists, who were all for fighting to the bitter end regardless of the additional suffering which would be inflicted on the people. But they have been put aside. They are paying the penalty of defeat already, and will probably have to pay more, though even here scrupulous care by General Franco to make sure that only crime will be punished and not political conviction may temper the wind to them.

Japan's Army Plans

The statement of Lieut.-General Itagaki, Japan's War Minister, regarding Japanese army possibilities in China must arouse considerable speculation. Speaking in the Tokyo House of Representatives, the War Minister said that future developments will determine whether Japan will transfer her standing army to China and Manchoukuo, but he refused to elaborate on this statement when questioned and the only indication of intentions he preferred to give was a negative answer to the question whether military expenditure will decrease next year. There are two conjectures to be drawn from the Minister's statement. Either the military situation is so unfavourable that reinforcements are needed from Japan to cope with the difficulties, or it is the plan of the Japanese General Staff, from a point of view of efficiency and perhaps economy, permanently to base the regular army in China and Manchoukuo. Japan has nothing to fear from invasion for the time being, and the new Navy replenishment programme is designed on so elaborate a scale as to meet the building programmes of the United States, Great Britain, Russia and other Powers and will enable Japan to maintain hegemony in the Pacific. Committed up to the hilt in the "New Order in East Asia" plan, China and Manchoukuo must monopolize the bulk of her attention if the paltry results already achieved are to be increased to proportions worthy of the effort. The consequences of the action envisaged by the War Minister are not difficult to perceive. Some months ago, Japan announced a basis of peace terms with China and, while offering to surrender extraterritorial rights in a specious manner appealing more to sentiment than to commonsense, insisted on the necessity of maintaining garrisons at strategic points to safeguard the Tokyo-manufactured liberties and principles thrust upon the Chinese people. In other words, the semi-colonial status which Japan prefers to regard with abhorrence in her estimate of China's condition vis-à-vis of other Foreign Powers is merely shadowy substance in relation to her own plans. These are none other than to reduce China to the position of a subject race to be exploited for Japanese purposes, and to achieve this will necessitate the extreme military measures which the War Minister contemplates in order to enforce Japan's will.

What's in a Name?

Miss Kuo Gin-chiu, a young Chinese lady from Shanghai, has been writing her impressions of England for the "Daily Mail." In the main they have proved refreshing reading, written by a young woman with plenty of observation, and a happy knack of expressing herself on paper. Thus having visited a dog show she came to the conclusion that many dog fanciers ultimately came to look somewhat like their pets, a judgment which, even if it is not wholly accurate, does appear to do justice to some cases. She was on somewhat less solid ground when she embarked upon a criticism of English Christian names. Pointing out that most Chinese young ladies had delightfully poetic names, such as her own which she said meant "Mirror of Autumn," she stated that English names had no beauty about them, and fell harshly on the Chinese ear, and were, furthermore devoid of artistic symbolism. Miss Kuo has wandered a long way from the truth in this matter. The British have adopted feminine names from many languages, and in practically every case they have a beautiful meaning, sufficient to stir even the most poetic Chinese soul. Thus Claribel may not sound remarkably fine, but what better meaning could it have than "Brightly Fair"? Dora, that hideous diminutive for Dorothea means nothing less than "Gift of God," indicating all the mother's love for the newly-born child to which she gave that name. Lizzie does sound a bit harsh, and Elizabeth very little better, but its meaning "Consecrated to God," or Worshipper of God" fully compensates for any failing with regard to sound. But there are other names and combinations which fully equal in beauty the Chinese feminine nomenclature. Thus if someone wants to name a daughter equally as beautifully as do some of the Chinese, what could be better than Tabitha Sarah,—a Gazelle Princess,—or Mathilda —Mighty Battle Maid? It is quite likely that the modern damsel would strongly object to the former combination, as offering too much scope for the British habit of ringing the changes, and no girl nowadays could possibly live down "Tabbie," or "Sally," or for that matter "Tilly."

A Country Diary

March 5.—Spent an hour this Sunday afternoon in a delightful garden in the Hungjao district....a garden where grassy glades give glimpses of unexpected backgrounds....the sort of garden, in fact, which makes me thoroughly homesick; but it also introduced me to a delightful little ornithological problem which I am sure I have now solved....a problem which was not made too easy by the old authorities who made fine distinctions between the small owls under such names as *Scops torquatus* and *Scops stictonotus*, whereas these birds are now known under various names beginning with *Otus*. It seems that twenty or more of these Pigmy Owls have roosted in a bamboo grove in this garden, and the evidence shows that some stayed to nest last summer: the description given was, "a little owl about ten inches long with 'longears', generally buff in upper plumage and lighter below; the effect of a white collar, and some neck feathers like a ruffle." Most unfortunately they have all now disappeared, possibly because the lady of the house has on several occasions driven them out by beating the bamboos with a stick, either to show the owls to friends or with the idea that they would drive away her other avian guests: there is some reason in this because all birds of diurnal habit hate owls....an almost unfounded hate in this case because these Pigmies feed mainly on beetles and other insect life, with an occasional sparrow or mouse for a titbit. Having gone carefully through all the authorities, I am now certain that the birds are "The Yangtsze Collared Scops-Owl" known to modern ornithologists as *Otus bakkamoenea*. They could be nothing else. But I must record one remark: when I argued that the Collared Scops-Owl lived mainly up the Yangtse above Chinkiang, a lady said, "Oh well, they've probably been evacuated." Lady, I take off my hat.

IN PARENTHESIS

Persistent

Where can a man live and be ten miles from any woman?—Question to B.B.C.

Optimist! She'll get the address, too.

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Duly Warned

SOLICITOR: Did the constable give you the correct warning formula?

Defendant: Yes. He told me my wife was coming up the street.

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Remedy

"I'M all out of sorts. The doctor said the only way to cure my rheumatism was to keep away from all dampness."

"What's so tough about that?"

"You don't know how silly it makes me feel to sit in an empty bathtub and go over myself with a vacuum cleaner."

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"Leave it to Me"

A FRIEND of mine has been feeling very depressed lately, and I've been doing all I can to cheer him up. I advised him to go and see a doctor, so he went yesterday.

"Doctor," he said, "I feel dreadful. Sometimes I feel like killing myself."

"Ah-ha!" the doctor said, "Don't worry about that. Just leave it to me."

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Puzzle for G.P.O.

SEVERAL hundreds of hand-microphone instruments have been stolen from telephone kiosks recently.

The G.P.O. is puzzled as well as peeved. The instruments cost a guinea each, but they aren't marketable, and can't be of any use to the thieves. So the thefts can't be explained.

Anyway, there's something "phoney" about them.

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Wrong Man

I MET a girl I hadn't seen for a long time last week, and I asked her how she was getting on.

"I'm married now" she said.

"How do you like it?"

"Not much" she said, "Jack stopped kissing me after the ceremony."

"Blimey!" I said. "He must be a poor sort of husband to have."

"Oh," she said, "Jack isn't my husband."

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Was it "Tree-son"?

PRINCIPAL sight of San Domingo, capital of the West Indian republic that offers a home to 100,000 Jewish refugees, is Columbus' tree.

It stands at the harbour, and Columbus' moored his ship to it when he reached the island, and so proved there was land across the Atlantic.

But it's only a dead stump now. Overzealous Americans, wanting to preserve it, cut open the trunk, filled it with cement—and killed the tree.

The verdict, I suppose, was "trunk murder."

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Cure for Crime?

A NEW medicinal spring has been discovered at Harrogate—in the basement of the police station. The water has definite healing properties.

Judging from my own recollections of Harrogate waters, it might even be a cure for crime —if a daily dose of the bitter draught were supplied to all the inmates of the cells.

"Give the prisoner a glass of 'bitter,'" says the sergeant. And the prisoner, when he gets it: "What a 'cell'!"

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Odd Bits

No woman ever has enough to wear. And no woman would wear enough even if she had it.

Some people try to do others good, and some try to do others—good.

A politician may be out of order, but he's never out of gas.

Prize for best dog at a recent show was won by a dachshund. Apparently it was a long-drawn-out contest.

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Nostalgic

THAT picture of the Zoo kookaburra—the ungainly, top-heavy Australian bird whose devilish laughter greets the Australian sunrise—reminded me of hot, old days in a landscape dotted with red ant-hills and gum trees, says Showman in the "Daily Herald."

There was a smear of green along the edges of a mostly dry creek: and, in one of the water-holes, under a rocky spur of the ranges, there was said to lurk a bunyip.

A fearsome beast, the bunyip: indeed a sort of ghost. He survives in man's memory. I suppose, from pre-historic times when monsters were common. Now he lurks in water-holes and, when you kneel to drink, he pulls you under.

What with the bunyip, the kookaburra and the bong-bong snake an Australian's life is hardly worth living; for the bong-bong, putting its tail in its mouth and forming a hoop, is bowled along by the kookaburra at a speed to overtake the fastest horse.

THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

Yesterday	Min.	43.0	Max.	50.0
Same date, 1938	Min.	32.5	Max.	44.5
Rainfall .02				

Temperature at Siccawei:—

Yesterday	Min.	43.9	Max.	52.2
Same date, 1938	Min.	31.1	Max.	34.2

Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 6th:—Anticyclone over northern Japan. Depression over Mongolia. Another depression crosses the Eastern Sea east-north-eastward. Pressure slowly rising over Central China. Variable winds in China. Freshening cyclonic circulation over the Eastern Sea. Fine weather in the north. Overcast with drizzle at times in the Lower Yangtze Valley. Overcast and foggy along the Coast to the south of the Yangtze Valley.

State on the morning of the 7th:—Moderate anticyclone over China. The depression to the south of Japan is continuing east-north-eastward. Another one is crossing the Sea of Japan east-north-eastward.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Fine to cloudy weather with variable breezes in north China and over the Yellow Sea. Overcast with possible passing rain but progressively clearing up and moderate northerly to easterly winds over Central China and our regions. Overcast to cloudy with local showers and moderate north-easterly winds over the Eastern Sea and Formosa.—Siccawei Observatory.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

TO THE WHITE FLOWER SOCIETY

Stewards of the Shanghai Race Club (Associated Foreign Charities)	$800.00

TO THE SCHOOL FOR RUSSIAN CHILDREN

The Shanghai Race Club	$300.00

TO THE KING'S DAUGHTERS' SOCIETY

Community Church (Sunday Collection)	$360.73
Community Church Collection (A friend, per Miss Ashley.)	20.00
In memory of Mrs. B. Cooke:—	
Miss El Calder	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Trueman	10.00

TO THE SALVATION ARMY

In memory of Mr. Fritz Schmuser:—	
Miss M. Nind	$10.00
F. L. Woo	4.00
W. Kouska	20.00
Dr. H. Lange	10.00
Miss Sophie Shirazee	2.00
S. L. Yu	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Murray	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McDonald	5.00
Mrs. Burton	5.00
C. Buroh	5.00
H. Moreton	5.00
G. Neugebauer	5.00
In memory of Captains: Henry De Vault, Kinley and Jackson:—	
Mrs. Eisler	100.00

Madrid Junta Offering To Make Peace

Gen. Jose Miaja Heads New Government and Broadcasts Truce Appeal; Cartagena Rebels Hold Out; Fugitive Fleet to Be Taken Over

Madrid, Mar. 6.

THE end of the Spanish civil war appeared imminent tonight coincident with the desertion of a large section of the Republican Fleet and an appeal for peace negotiations broadcast from here by Gen. Jose Miaja, new President of the National Defence Council. "We want to negotiate peace as soon as possible," Gen. Miaja's message said. "We will bring tranquility to Spanish homes with peace, but a peace worthy of the war because during the struggle, the honour of Republican arms was demonstrated."

Gen. Miaja, former commander of the Madrid Defence Junta, was appointed head of the new Republican National Defence Council tonight after the civil government, which was overthrown yesterday by a military *coup d'etat*, formally submitted its resignation. Although the new Republican Government received pledges of support from military leaders throughout Republican territory, neutral observers doubted that the Republican Army would risk another decisive battle with the Nationalist forces now surrounding Madrid on three sides in overwhelming force.

Indications that the Defence Council was preparing to meet Nationalist armistice terms were seen in the occupation of the Madrid Communist headquarters by Republican Army officials who refused to permit Communists to enter the buildings. Communists have been excluded from the new Defence Council in another reactionary demonstration by the Army leaders now controlling Republican Spain.

Preliminary Peace Overtures

Reports current in French circles here said Gen. Segismondo Casado, who was appointed Defence Minister of the National Defence Council, had sent offers a peace to Gen. Francisco Franco at Burgos, the Nationalist capital. The peace offers were said to have been based on conciliation, independence and liberty. Gen. Franco was invited to make an honourable peace offer in return, particularly promising "Spanish liberation from foreign influences and alliances," according to the reports.

Gen. Casado, in a radio address tonight, denied that Madrid emissaries were already en route to Burgos to negotiate peace, but he did not mention reports that preliminary peace negotiations had been undertaken by radio.

While Republican Army rebels continued to hold out in strong positions in the Cartagena dockyards today, eleven Spanish Republican warships were rushing toward Bizerta. French naval base near Tunis, in an effort to avoid the Nationalist naval blockade and reach a neutral port. The ships fled from Cartagena last night after the Army revolt in the Republican port.

French officials said the Republican warships would be seized and their crews interned at Bizerta. Gen. Franco's headquarters announced, however, that France would be compelled to surrender the ships to the Nationalists because France now recognizes the Burgos Government.

Fighting in Cartagena

Meanwhile sporadic fighting continued in Cartagena after Republican Army loyalists failed in several attempts to dislodge rebels from heavily-fortified castles.

Dr. Juan Negrin, former Premier of the Republican Government, arrived in Toulouse by plane today after submitting his resignation. He immediately went into seclusion in a Toulouse hotel. Two additional planes carrying eleven other former Republican officials were reported to have landed at Oran.

The National Defence Council of Madrid, as reorganized today includes the following officials:

President:—Gen. Jose Miaja.
War Minister:—Gen. S. Casado.
Foreign Minister:—Sr. Julin Besteiro.

One of the first communiques issued by the Council after the arrival of Gen. Miaja in Madrid announced that all communications in Republican Spain had been restored and that the maintenance of perfect order was assured. Numerous messages of support and sympathy were received from Republican Army commanders throughout Republican Spain.

General Support Pledged

The Republican Fleet, with the exception of the eleven warships fleeing to north Africa, also pledged its support to the new Defence Council. A Council meeting was called immediately after the arrival of Gen. Miaja which coincided with messages from civil authorities at Cartagena, Muracia, Alicante, Jaen and Valencia placed these authorities "unconditionally at the disposal of Gen. Casado and Sr. Besteiro."

Four Republican planes arrived in Oran last night with twenty commissioned and sixteen non-commissioned officers aboard. They were immediately disarmed and handed over to French military authorities. They fled from Cartagena in the Army planes during the early hours of the Army rebellion yesterday.—United Press.

Dr. Negrin Reaches Paris

Paris, Mar. 7.

The former Premier of the Spanish Republican Government, Dr. Juan Negrin, and the former Foreign Minister, Senor Julio Alvarez del Vayo, arrived here from Toulouse at 9 a.m. To avoid crowds awaiting them at the terminal station, they left the train at the Austerlitz station and continued their journey by motor car.

French authorities warned them that they would not be permitted to engage in political activities while in France, but Dr. Negrin explained that he had abandoned his political office in Spain and was travelling as a private individual.—United Press.

Hint of Peace Accord

Paris, Mar. 6.

A hint of an approaching agreement between General Francisco Franco, the Nationalist leader, and the Republicans was given today by Senor Martinez Barrio, Speaker in the Spanish Cortes, who is now in France.

Senor Barrio said General Jose Miaja was a "man who can agree with General Franco in bringing peace back to Spain." Referring to the new Defence Council, Senor Barrio said he was sure it was in "complete agreement on the question of ending the war."—Reuter.

Burgos Puzzled

Burgos, Mar. 6.

Significance of the dramatic developments in the Republican zone are considered here today to be extremely difficult to assess.

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No British Loan For Burgos

Mr. Chamberlain on Diplomatic Change; Plea for Clemency

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 6.

No negotiations were at present in prospect regarding a British loan to General Francisco Franco, the Nationalist leader, declared Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, in answer to a question in the House of Commons today.

The Premier was replying to a question concerning the recent visit of Mr. F. T. A. Ashton-Gwatkin to Berlin. He said that Mr. Ashton-Gwatkin went to Berlin to renew personal contacts with German officials, and to exchange views with them on the general economic situation. No proposals referring to the former German colonies, or the limitation of armaments, were discussed, the Premier added.

Recognition of the Spanish Republican Government had been withdrawn simultaneously with recognition by the British Government of General Franco's administration, declared Mr. Chamberlain in a statement on British diplomatic relations with Spain in the House of Commons today. Therefore, Mr. Chamberlain declared, there could not be any diplomatic representations between the British Government and the Republican administration in territory not at present under the control of General Franco. British consular officials, he added, would take such action as was appropriate for the protection of British interests and for humanitarian purposes.—Reuter.

Appeals for Generosity

London, Mar. 7.

Appeals to General Francisco Franco to deal leniently and generously with his defeated Spanish Republican foes are published today by the "Daily Telegraph" and the "News-Chronicle" in editorials dealing with the Spanish problem.

The two papers, which usually give expression to divergent political views, both take the view that Gen. Franco, as the victor in the Spanish civil war, can not only afford to show magnanimity toward a beaten foe but that it would be good policy for him to do so.

The "Daily Telegraph" declares that Gen. Franco, as a true patriot who values Spain's welfare above everything else, should welcome the opportunity to deliver his country from the wheel on which it has been so cruelly broken during the past three years.

Commencing by criticizing sharply the "treachery" of the Democracies in abandoning Republican Spain, the "News-Chronicle" appeals to Gen. Franco with the following words: "General Franco claims to be a Spanish patriot. He would not remain true to this description if now he were above all bent on exacting summary revenge."

In conclusion, the paper says it is the duty of France and Britain to urge Franco not to spoil his victory by vindictiveness.—Trans-Ocean.

Huge United States Loan for Brazil

U.S.$120,000,000 to Be Used to Aid Trade

Washington, Mar. 7.

The American-Brazilian agreement, publication of which is anticipated for Thursday, will contain provision for the granting of a US$120,000,000 loan to Brazil, it is learned from well-informed quarters here.

Of this sum, US$50,000,000 will be placed at the disposal of the Central Bank of Brazil by the Federal Reserve Bank and a further US$50,000,000 will be provided by the Reconstruction and Finance Corporation for economic development of Brazil which will be used principalily for financing the deliveries of railway rolling stock. The final US20,000,000 will be provided by the Export and Import Bank in the form of an exchange credit.

This total exceeds by US$50,000,000 the sum considered during the first weeks of the negotiations but fails to approach the amount requested by the Brazilians. According to information obtained by Transocean, Brazil had orginally proposed the granting of a credit of US$1,000,000,000.—Trans-Ocean.

Nebraska Relief Ratio Nearly One in Five

Lincoln, Mar. 6.

Nearly one in five receives or shares in some form of public assistance in Nebraska, Dr. R. V. Shumate, research director of the State Legislative Council, disclosed in a survey submitted to the Council.

He estimated approximately 250,000 Nebraskans receive public aid and placed the cost of public aid for the fiscal year ended last June 30 at $35,638,946—nearly one-fourth of the cost of all government in the state.

Dr. Shumate, a University of Nebraska political science professor, observed that the outlay for public assistance in Nebraska, as in other states, was increasing.—United Press.

Japan to Deal With Chinese Generalissimo

Gen. Chiang Must Repent, Declares Baron Hiranuma

Tokyo, Mar. 7.

Japan is prepared to end hostilities against Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and his Government if they thoroughly reconsider their anti-Japanese attitude and co-operate with Japan in the construction of a new order in East Asia, the Premier, Baron Kiichiro Hiranuma, told the House of Representatives yesterday.

He added, however, that Japan could not deal with the Chungking Government as a central government of China, but merely as a "provincial regime." He said there was the necessity for the early organization of a new central government in China.

The Foreign Minister, Mr. Hachiro Arita, later told the House that the urgent necessity exists for making Britain, France and the United States understand that Japan was determined to establish a new order in East Asia and a major position for Japan in world affairs.

Mr. Arita said that the basis of Japan's foreign policy was the Anti-Comintern Pact and that Japan must take efficient measures to "cope with the Comintern which is behind the China incident."

The Foreign Minister insisted that Japan's position should not be antagonistic to Britain, France and the United States "because Japan is not a totalitarian state."—United Press.

Foreign Policy Basis

Tokyo, Mar. 7.

The pivotal point of Japan's diplomatic policies is the "reinforcement of the Anti-Comintern Pact against the destructive machinations of the Comintern Pact against the destructive machinations of the Comintern," declared the Foreign Minister, Mr. Hachiro Arita, in a plenary session of the budgetary committee in the Lower House yesterday.

Replying to Mr. Hatsutaro Haraguchi, member of the Seiyukai, the Foreign Minister reiterated the statement made by the Premier, Baron Kiichiro Hiranuma, some time ago that "it is a mistake to think of Japan as a totalitarian state. Japan is not a country which wishes to oppose Britain, America, France and other countries."

China Should Save Self

Observing that China herself should overthrow those elements inimical to her State, and commenting that there should also be some adjustment of international relations, the interpellator inquired as to what operations the Japanese forces should take against the Chinese forces to bring about the collapse of the Chiang regime.

All possible measures with regard to military operations were being taken at the present time, Lt.-Gen. Seishiro Itagaki, War Minister, replied, adding that it was needless to say "we should make our best efforts in concentrating all the political and diplomatic policies of our State for our purpose."

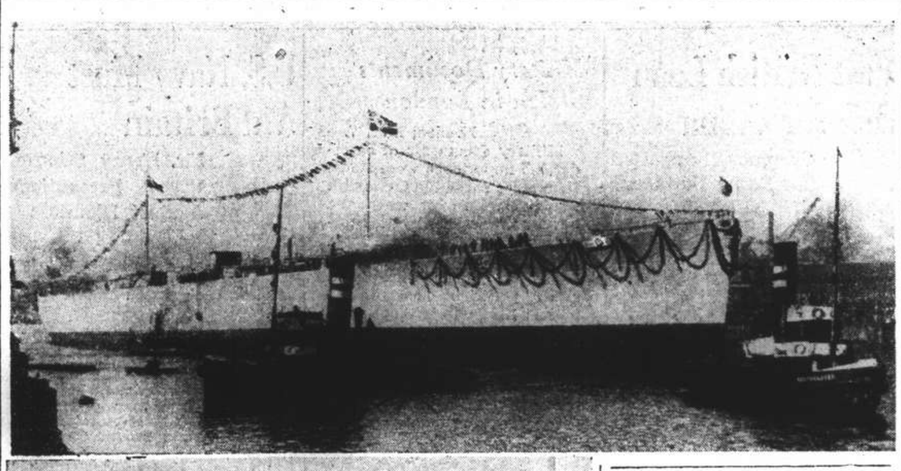
Gen. Chiang Must Repent

Addressing the Premier again, Mr. Haraguchi sought the views of the Government concerning the method, assertedly based on the determination of the Chinese people themselves, for destroying the Chiang regime.

Because they are "delicate matters," the Premier said he could not explain military operations, and activities concerning third Powers. As long as the Chiang regime continued its anti-Japanese resistance, every measure should be taken to destroy it, he continued.

"If the Chiang regime repents and follows our principles of constructive efforts, we shall not regard it as our enemy, but since it has now been reduced to a mere local administration, it is too late for it to be dealt with as a central regime," the Premier asserted.

"From a general viewpoint, it is necessary that a central regime should be established as soon as possible. There are many things which should be done for the pacification of the Chinese people and an economic development," he affirmed. "There is no change, however, in our policy which, following the establishment of a central regime with which Japan can deal, should lead to co-operation between Japan and China for the construction of a new order in East Asia," the Premier Hiranuma concluded.—Domei.



Launching of Germany's Latest Battleship

Chancellor Hitler spoke at the launching ceremony of the 35,000-ton battleship Bismark, the largest ever built for Germany, at Hamburg. Upper picture shows the vessel while below are Aamiral von Löwenfeld, Frau Löwenfeld, granddaughter of the Iron Chancellor, who performed the launching ceremony, and Burgomaster Krogman.

Tientsin Restrictions Puzzle Foreign Community

Barricades Cause Great Inconvenience Among Residents; Concessions Concentration Camps

Tientsin, Mar. 7.

BRITISH and French Consular officials called on the Japanese authorities yesterday, it is understood, and reminded them that they still had no reply to their recent demarches, in which they asked against whom the barricades around the British and French Concessions were directed and when they would be moved. They pressed for a speedy answer to these points.

The artificial restrictions around the two concessions, so far from having been reduced, appear to have been intensified in the last few days. A tour of the foreign boundaries today by Reuter's correspondent, revealed that the British and French Concessions have been converted into a virtual concentration camp.

An impenetrable network of barricades and live-wires completely shuts off all exits except for a few major thoroughfares, which are all heavily guarded at the border by armed Japanese sentries and Chinese police. Traffic, however, has not been interfered with up to the present.

Adding an ominous note, machine-gun emplacements have been built at strategic points, pointing to the foreign areas. Barricades have also been placed along the streets of the special areas in the blocks adjoining the Concessions, causing much inconvenience to puzzled residents, who, in order to reach their homes, must travel considerable distances, as if through a labyrinth.

Barracks, Guard-Houses

Much speculation is aroused by the erection in the main thoroughfares of the Japanese-controlled areas of permanent brick structures of a size suggesting barracks, and of guard-houses right in the streets, narrowing the channel of traffic.

It is strongly rumoured, though not confirmed, that these preparations are connected with the enforcement of exchange measures and that all persons entering and leaving the foreign areas will be searched for Chinese currency. It is also stated that women will search women.

It is further suggested in other quarters, although it had not been officially confirmed, that the Japanese are pushing these preparations in readiness for demands on the foreign Concessions.

The Consular authorities, however, reveal that up to the present no demands of any special nature have been presented.

Much speculation has been aroused in the foreign community by rumours that an additional bridge is being built to connect the Japanese and Italian Concessions.

The Japanese, it is understood, intend to build another bridge across the Hai River below the British Concession, thus shutting off shipping and confining it to the ex-German concession, which is at present being developed on a large scale by the Japanese.

No official information is available on this point, but the arrival of Japanese bridge experts and the presence of much building material in the ex-German Concession at the reported site of the bridge, suggest that there is some basis for these rumours.

Tunnel Suggested

The suggestion of boring a tunnel under the Hai River, which would not impede shipping, is understood to have been made by the British Concession authorities to the Japanese. For this purpose, the old plans for the tunnel, prepared by the British Concession, have been handed to the Japanese, but it is not known whether the suggestion will be accepted.

Much speculation and anxiety has been caused by a report emanating from usually reliable Chinese sources to the effect that the Japanese propose to close the Tientsin East Station, as this would compel travellers to make a trip of several miles through the Japanese Concession and the native city. As in the case of the other rumours, this one cannot be officially confirmed, although it is admitted that the possibility of the public being faced with a fait accompli is not excluded.

At the same time, it is understood that, at the request of the "Federal Reserve Bank," the British authorities have granted permission to them to open a branch in the British Concession.—Reuter.

Paris and London Believe Italy Unready for Pressing "Claims"

Germany Unwilling to Support Fascist Fully; Count Ciano Fails to Get Poland's Backing

Paris, Mar. 7.

Rumours that Italy intends to present non-territorial claims to France are considered in well-informed quarters here as mere trial balloons. Nothing indicates how the Italian Government will make known its viewpoint officially.

It is believed that Signor Mussolini will wait for the end of the Spanish conflict before opening his heavy guns, while Field Marshal Hermann Goering's present holiday in Italy may lead to an exchange of views between Italian and German authorities in this matter.

The German press asserts that the Italian demands, limited to certain privileges in Djibouti and the Suez Canal and to a modification of the status of Italians in Tunisia, present no territorial characteristics.

Well-informed quarters see in this view a proof that German opinion is in no way prepared to support a Mediterranean reshuffle to Italy's advantage, and to run the risks such a move entails.

Nevertheless, Italy's campaign over Corsica is being pursued.

Competent quarters, state that the recall of Italian residents from France, which resulted in only fifteen per cent. leaving for their home country, is only significant if the Italian Government is expecting the worst.

However, Italy is unlikely to undertake any daring step in face of Germany's hesitant attitude.—Havas.

London Information

London, Mar. 7.

Well-informed quarters here say the conversation held in Rome last Saturday between Count Galeazzo Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, and Lord Perth, the British Ambassador, did not shed any further light in the matter of Italy's claims against France.

These circles believe Count Ciano found no support for Italy's "aspirations" when he visited Warsaw recently but met with a polite refusal when he attempted to rally the Polish leaders to the well-founded thesis of Italian exigencies.

Several reports from Berlin reveal that the Italian campaign is viewed with considerable disfavour by the German authorities.

Confidential reports received on the strength of Italy's military, naval, and air forces, competent circles say, reveal it would be well-nigh impossible for Italy to wage a war against France. Production in Italy is on the downward trend and of insufficient quality, while industry is faced with a constant dearth of raw materials.

British diplomatic quarters are optimistic over the development of Italo-French relations, and state that it is most unlikely that Signor Mussolini will throw himself into any wild adventure in present circumstances.

These circles note the failure of Count Ciano's policy both in Warsaw and Yugoslavia and wonder whether his influence abroad is not decreasing.

British policy will continue to be one of non-intervention in the matter of Italian claims, while London will go on making representations in Rome each and every time Italian action affects directly or indirectly the Anglo-Italian agreement of April, 1933, either in the spirit or letter.—Havas.

Defence Loans Bill

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 6.

The House of Commons today sent the Defence Loans Bill to the House of Lords.—Reuter.

Mr. Gandhi Stops "Fast to Death"

Government Assurance Accepted by Veteran Indian Reformer

Rajkot, Mar. 7.

After the British Government and the Government in India had intervened to assure satisfactory settlement of his demand for the liberalization of the government of Rajko, Mr. M. K. Gandhi today ended his "fast unto death."

He had been without food for 98½ hours. His fast began at noon on Friday.

The aged man seemed to be nearing the point of collapse when at last he agreed to eat. After having passed a restless night, he appeared more exhausted this morning than at any time since beginning his fast on Friday. His nausea, which was noticeable yesterday, persisted and made it difficult for him to take even small quantities of water.—United Press.

Mrs. Gandhi Released

New Delhi, Mar. 6.

A bulletin issued here this evening states that Mr. M. K. Gandhi is "becoming more exhausted, and nausea and restlessness have made their appearance."

Mr. I. C. Gibson, the Crown representative at Rajkot, called on Mr. Gandhi tonight and was closeted with him for half an hour. After conversing with Mr. Gibson, Mr. Gandhi dictated to his secretary.

Mrs. Gandhi has been released "within the limits of the State of Rajkot," and is now with Mr. Gandhi.

The Viceroy, Lord Linlithgow, spent today receiving members of the Executive Council individually, and also Mr. Bhulabahai Desai, Congress leader in the Assembly, regarding the present impasse.—Reuter.

Commons Statement

London, Mar. 7.

Answering a question regarding reforms in Rajkot, Lt.-Col. H. J. Muirhead, Under-Secretary of State for India and Burma, made a statement on the circumstances in which Mr M. K. Gandhi began his fast which has already lasted three days.

Lt.-Col. Muirhead revealed that on March 2, Mr. Gandhi sent an ultimatum to the ruler of the State of Rajkot, suggesting he should set up a committee to recommend a scheme of constitutional advance in the State. The committee was to consist of four members chosen by the Ruler, and five members, including the chairman, named by Mr. Gandhi. The three officers of the State to be approved by Mr. Gandhi, might be appointed as advisers to the committee, without, however, the right to vote.

The committee was to start its work on March 7, and to make a report on March 22. Its recommendations were to be put into force within seven days, subject to their examination by Mr. Gandhi or Mr. V. Patel. Mr. Gandhi undertook to allow nothing to remain in these recommendations which would affect the prestige of the Ruler, his State or his subjects. Mr. Gandhi also stated that all political prisoners had to be released and that all fines for political offences should be remitted.—Wireless through Reuter.

Congressional Revolt To Be Defied

President Roosevelt to Refuse to Cut Costs

Washington, Mar. 6.

President Roosevelt told Congressional leaders in an important conference today that he would defy the growing drive for economy in Congress within a week by renewing his request for an additional $150,000,000 to finance the Works Progress Administration's spring relief projects.

The President said he would demand that Congress restore the $150,000,000 which both the House of Representatives and the Senate cut from the original W.P.A. deficiency relief funds bill. Mr. Roosevelt was undersood to have announced his decision after Congressional leaders informed him of the progress of the "February Rebellion" which gained strength in Congress during the President's absence from Washington on his tour of the naval war games area in the Caribbean.

The major factor behind the rebellion against the White House, the President was told, is the growing demand for governmental economies and curtailment of heavy Federal spending.—United Press.

Planes Said Destroyed In Rumanian Fire

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Bucharest, Mar. 6.

Seventeen aeroplanes are believed to have been destroyed in a fire which broke out at a military aerodrome at Pipera, ten miles to the north of Bucharest.—Reuter.

U.S. Aid Favoured For Democracies

Washington, Mar. 7.

A speech interpreted as favouring American assistance for democracies against a possible coalition of Totalitarian Powers, was made here today by Mr. A. A. Berle, Assistant Secretary of State.—Reuter.

Britain to Continue to Support S.M.C.

Commons Assurance Given; H. M. Government Will Press for Opening of Pearl River

London, Mar. 6.

"MAY we assume that the British Government will continue to give full support to the Shanghai Municipal Council in their negotiations with the Japanese," Mr. Philip Noel-Baker, Labour member for Derby, asked the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain at question time in Commons today. "Yes," Mr. R. A. Butler, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs answered, and added: "Lord Halifax has been informed that an agreement has been reached between the Shanghai Municipal Council and Japanese authorities. His Lordship believes that this accord does not impair the authority of the Council."

Many other particulars about British policy in the Far East were made public by Mr. Butler when for the second consecutive week he faced a barrage of questions on present hostilities in China and their relations to British diplomatic and commercial interests. Mr. Adrian Charles Moreing, Conservative member for Preston, asked the Prime Minister if he was informed of the new currency regulations to take effect in North China as from March 10. "His Majesty's Government will consider all practicable measures for the defence of British interests involved," Mr. Butler replied.

"Lord Halifax has been informed that new currency regulations are to apply in North China and that, after March 11, a large number of North China products will not be allowed to pass the customs unless they are accompanied by a certificate showing that the foreign exchange involved in the transaction has been sold to the Federal Reserve Bank," Mr. Butler declared.

"Will His Majesty's Government not only consider all possible steps but also take active steps if they are satisfied that they are capable of action," Mr. Moreing asked.

"I certainly would not minimize the need to take any action which might be necessary," Mr. Butler replied.

Canton River Traffic

The situation in South China was next brought to the fore when Sir Percy Harris, a member of the Liberal Opposition, asked the Premier if representations had been made to the Japanese Government about the closure of the Pearl River and the occupation of the Canton Delta by Japanese forces. He also asked if complaints had been lodged by the British Chamber of Commerce in Canton as to the disastrous consequences of these actions by the Japanese on British trade and national prestige in Canton.

Mr. Butler replied that, "as it was already stated here on February 13, representations have been made to the Japanese Government about the closure of the Pearl River. No representations have been made about the occupation of the Canton Delta.

"Lord Halifax is being kept informed of the views of the British Chamber of Commerce in Canton and is fully aware of the effects on the British interests generally of the maintenance of present restrictions.

"His Majesty's Government will continue, through their Ambassador in Tokyo and through the local authorities in Canton and Hongkong, to press for an early resumption of the traffic on the River", Mr. Butler concluded.

"Does the Premier appreciate the urgency of the matter and the effect it is having on Lancashire which is suffering enough unemployment without having this additional burden?" Sir Percy asked again.

"Yes, and it is why I said that we will continue to press for an early resumption of the traffic," Mr. Butler replied.

Question on China Loans

Another matter of interest to the Far East was discussed when Mr. Henry Morgan, Conservative Member for Stourbridge, Worcestershire asked the Secretary for the Overseas Trade Department if "it is proposed to grant the Chinese Government credits out of the sum approved by the Parliament and if these grants give effect to the requests of the Chinese Government.

"As Mr. R. S. Hudson explained more than once," it was given in reply, "guarantees under the Export Guarantees Act are given not to foreign Governments but to or for the benefit of British exporters. Transactions relating to British exports to China are under consideration, but I am afraid no particulars can be given at present on this matter."

The next question was asked by Commander Marsden, Conservative Member for Chertsey, Surrey, who inquired whether His Majesty's Government intended to send a Consul to Ichang in order to watch British interests there. Commander Marsden further pointed out that these interests might be imperilled by the present Japanese drive along the Yangtze River.

"His Majesty's Government do not intend to send a consular official to Ichang at present," Mr. Butler replied. "One of His Majesty's ships is at present lying before that city, and the officer in command can be relied upon to take all necessary measures for the protection of British life and property."—Havas.

Martial Law Proclaimed in Baghdad Area

Baghdad, Mar. 6.

Martial law was proclaimed today in Rashid, Army headquarters situated six miles from Baghdad, and in the surrounding districts. A number of suspects have been arrested. A laconic statement made on behalf of the Government ascribes the trouble to "mischief makers."—Reuter.

Latest Exchange

The closing Interbank selling rates yesterday were as follows:
Sterling 8 5/16d. U.S.$ 15 23/32c.

LONDON METALS AND N.Y. CROSS RATE

London, Mar. 7.

Silver quotations remained unchanged in London today, with prices being fixed as follows:—

	Mar. 6	Mar. 7
London spot	20 5/16d.	20 5/16d.
,, forward	19 1/4d.	19 1/4d.
,, gold	148/3 1/4d.	148/2 1/4d.
London/New York:		
One pound U.S.$4.6885		$4.6910
One U.S. dollar 51.189d.		51.161d.

—Reuter.

Chinese Migrate To Shan States

Commons Questions On Need for Curb; Burma Road Labour

London, Mar. 6.

The Shan States, situated in the borderlands between China, Siam and Burma, and enjoying British protection, figured in the House of Commons today.

Sir Arnold Wilson, Conservative member for the Hitchin Division of Hertfordshire, asked whether any provisions had been made with a view to preventing the "almost unlimited incursion of Chinese into the Shan States, as a consequence of the construction of the new road."

That road, the Burma-Yunnan highway, had been built on the grounds of "high policy." According to his information, large numbers of Chinese, much larger than ever before, were entering Burma by this road.

The Shan States, Sir Arnold went on to declare, were responsible for the safety of their frontier, and for preventing the immigration of unauthorized persons from China to Burma. They were, he stated, putting 25 per cent. of their revenue into the Shan States Federal Fund, and were entitled to maximum protection and financial assistance from Burma, to "prevent overrunning by Chinese coolies."

Question of Indemnity

Sir Arnold asked whether the Shan States would be indemnified, as a result of a temporary provision, in any expense that might be necessary to prevent Chinese Immigration.

"I fear," Sir Arnold added, "that we are going to do with the Shan States what we have done to Burma. We allowed 40 per cent. of the land to be bought by Indians, who are as alien to Burma as we are."

Sir Arnold's speech followed a motion by Lt.-Col. Anthony Muirhead, Under-Secretary of State for India and Burma, that the Shan States Federal Fund Order be made in the form of a draft, laid before Parliament.

Lt.-Col. Muirhead said that Sir Arnold had raised a point of wide and considerable interest, and his speech showed numerous aspects of the construction of the new Burma road.

On the contrary, the provision suggested was at present a hypothetical one. At present, there was no unusual influx of Chinese, and the particular problems envisaged by Sir Arnold were unlikely to materialize during the next year. This provision was purely an interim arrangement for twelve months.

Costs and Policing

Sir Arnold asked whether any part of the cost of completing the road was borne by the public in the Shan States.

Lt.-Col. Muirhead:—Yes, a certain proportion of the Shan States does contribute to the cost, but it is no particular adjustment with which we are dealing.

In reply to a further question by Sir Arnold Wilson, Colonel Muirhead said that the matter of policing was rather a different question.

"Only last December," he declared, "I travelled along that road, and went into China for ten miles.

"Although I met a considerable number of Chinese on the road, the information I was given, which was unofficial, was that there were, perhaps not so many Chinese coming across the Border this year as there were last."

The debate was adjourned, pending consideration of the Order by the House of Lords.—Reuter.

Bankers Urged to Aid Chinese Troops

Dr. H. H. Kung Addresses Chungking Meeting

Chungking, Mar. 7.

In an address given to the National Finance Conference, Dr. H. H. Kung, the Minister of Finance, and President of the Executive Yuan, urged Chinese banks to co-operate with the military authorities in the war areas.

The Conference comprised delegates from banks and other financial institutions in Szechuen, Yunnan, Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Fukien, Kiangsu, Chekiang, Honan, Hunan, Hupeh, Anhwei, Kiangsi, Shansi and Kansu provinces.

Dr. Kung said that local banks must carry on business as usual, and must not withdraw unless the army withdrew. He also urged the banks to establish branches at places where the commanders-in-chief of the war areas had their headquarters, in order to facilitate the circulation of provincial bank notes in areas under Japanese military occupation.

This, declared Dr. Kung, would not only help the Chinese guerillas operating in such area, but would also present the Japanese from spreading the circulation of bogus régime notes.

In conclusion, Dr. Kung urged the local banks to assist the Central Government in carrying out their financial and economic programmes.—Reuter.

Japanese Suddenly Attack on Siang River Front

Drive in Hupeh Also Threatens Large Chinese Force; Red Headquarters in Shensi Bombed

Chungking, Mar. 7.

THE situation on the Siang river front has suddenly become very tense, according to Chinese reports, which state that the Japanese forces, after a skirmish on Sunday night one mile south-east of Chungtsiang, fought their way into the city, where hand-to-hand fighting ensued. Meanwhile, another column of the Japanese troops is said to be attacking Wangchiatsi, twenty miles northward of Chungtsiang.

Strong Chinese forces are at present massing in the Siangyang and Fancheng area, anticipating a possible Japanese advance northward, along the Siang river valley. Thirteen Japanese aeroplanes, according to Chinese sources, yesterday morning subjected Siangyang and Fancheng to very severe bombardments.—Reuter.

Driving westward across central Hupeh province, Japanese forces are threatening by their rapid advance the right flank and rear of a concentration of 70 Chinese divisions, estimated to comprise 300,000 men, a Japanese military spokesman in Shanghai claimed last night.

The seizure of Anlu, pivotal point on the Han River, the spokesman asserted, had precipitated signs of marked unrest among the Chinese forces stationed in the Chinese First and Fifth War Zones.

The presence of these Chinese forces in the area south of the Lunghai Railway and west of the Peiping-Hankow line, he added, had constituted a serious obstacle to a close co-operation between the Japanese expeditionary forces to central and north China.

Following the seizure of Anlu, the spokesman continued, the Japanese forces were pushing towards Suihsien forcing back the Chinese towards the north-west.

Meantime, in northern Kiangsu, in a concerted drive of the Japanese Army and the Navy, an "annihilating blow" was dealt seven Chinese divisions, the spokesman continued. A vast pincer movement from the north and the south closed upon these Chinese forces which were driven to the banks of Tasung Lake where they were dealt a crushing defeat, according to the spokesman.

These successes, the spokesman declared, had heightened the Japanese morale.

Red Bases Bombed

Hankow, Mar. 7.

More than 50 Japanese army aeroplanes bombed Yenanfu, in northern Shensi, and Ninghsia, capital of Ninghsia province, in extensive raids on north-western China yesterday afternoon, according to a communiqué issued by the headquarters of the Japanese Expeditionary Force to Central China today.

Both towns are being used by Communist armies as headquarters. Taking advantage of clear weather after several days of rain, more than 30 bombers of five units raided the central district of Yenanfu and the military academy there. A series of attacks were started at 3.40 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

More than 20 planes of two squadrons bombed military establishments, barracks of red troops and other objectives in Ninghsia at 4 o'clock. Severe damage was said to have been done to the buildings.

The Japanese aircraft suffered no damage and all returned to their bases, the communiqué stated.—Domei.

Chungking Evacuation

Chungking, Mar. 7.

Japanese aeroplanes yesterday afternoon severely bombed Ninghsia, capital of Ninghsia province, near the border of Suiyuan, according to Chinese reports.

In connection with the Government programme of a wholesale evacuation of civilians from Chungking, it has been announced that only civilians who possess special permits issued from the National Defence Supreme Council, will be allowed to remain in Chungking. The compulsory evacuation will begin on March 11.—Reuter.

Kiangsu Operations

Hwaiyin, Mar. 7.

During the period from February 24, when a Japanese detachment started operations in north-eastern Kiangsu, up to March 5, when Yaoying on the Grand Canal fell into Japanese hands, 6,117 Chinese were slain, Japanese military authorities here claimed today.

During this campaign the Japanese captured Hwaiyin on February 28 and Hwaian in the morning of March 1.

Booty included 63 rifles, 30 machine guns of Czechoslovakian make, six trench mortars, 105 horses, 18 motor cars and three anti-tank guns.—Domei.

Paoying Captured

Hsuchow, Mar. 7.

Paoying, an important Chinese position on the east bank of Lake Paoying, and situated on the Grand Canal in north-eastern Kiangsu, fell to the Japanese last Saturday afternoon, a field dispatch reaching here today said.

Capture of Paoying followed the destruction of Pinkiao, also located on the Grand Canal, midway between Paoying and Hwaiying early in the morning of the same day, the dispatch revealed.—Domei.

Decapitated Body Found in Ruins

Second Murder in Yulin Rd. District Within Few Hours Is Mystery to Police

Deep mystery surrounds the discovery yesterday morning of the decapitated body of a Chinese of the coolie class, which was found amidst demolished houses, in a lane off Thorburn Road. Chinese workmen passing near by, were the first to make the gruesome discovery and informed Yulin Road Police Station, from where, under Detective Sub-Inspector G. H. Craik, a large party rushed to the scene and searched the surroundings, subsequently finding the severed head, some 130 yards away from the rest of the body.

Upon closer examination, it was found that the victim, who was later identified as Nyu Wei-ling, 31, an employee of an iron-foundry, was with all probability struck unconscious with an iron bar, prior to his head being cut off. Death, it was understood, probably occurred between the hours of 10 and 11 p.m. on Monday.

Soon after the arrival of the police party, officers from the Fingerprint Bureau, Headquarters, arrived on the scene, taking photographs and collecting all such data as may come in useful to the detectives investigating the murder.

The motive for the crime, it was understood late last night, is still a complete mystery to the police and evidently was not robbery.

It is possible that Nyu may have been killed as a result of a gambling quarrel, although no evidence is in the hands of the police which would indicate that he gambled at all.

Meanwhile, thorough investigations are being made whilst all scientific resources of crime detection have been put at the disposal of those charged with solving the mystery.

Second Murder

This is the second murder to have occurred in the Yulin Road district within 24 hours, as on Monday morning the body of a taxi-driver was found in the garden of a vacant house on Kirin Road, after he had been strangled with a piece of string.

The discovery of a decapitated head is reminiscent of the early part of last year, when many heads were found in various parts of the French Concession, the victims having for the greater part been Chinese newspapermen, whilst on February 27, of this year, three heads, one that of a woman, were found stuck on a fence along Brenan Road near Warren Road in Japanese occupied territory.

Whilst in all the previous cases, the victims were presumed to have been killed for political reasons, it was understood that this possibility has been discarded in the present case, although various theories are at present being followed up, not the least indication as to the motive having as yet been found, it was learned late last night.

U.S. Scientist Finds New Shangrila

Haven in British Guiana For European Refugees

Schenectady, New York, Mar. 6.

Dr. Paul A. Zahl, Union College scientist, announced today that he had discovered a "lost world" in the heart of British Guiana which he thought would make an ideal home for European refugees who have been compelled to leave their native lands.

Dr. Zahl recently spent four months touring the scarcely known section of British Guiana which he described as a group of towns in which the Indian inhabitants live harmoniously, without warfare of internal strife of any kind.

The country is primitive and uncultivated, the scientist said, but he believed it could be developed into a perfect haven for thousands of the refugees now pouring out of Europe.—United Press.

Japanese Judges Visit Shanghai Courts

Mr. Masao Murata, Presiding Judge of the Osaka Local Court, Mr. Yuji Ichimaru, Public Prosecutor of the Osaka Court of Appeals, and Mr. Masayasu Fushimi, Judge of the Osaka District Court, all of whom have been in the judicial service of the Japanese Government for more than 15 years, are now visiting Shanghai on an inspection tour.

Accompanied by an official of the local Japanese Consulate-General, they crossed the Whangpoo River at 10 o'clock yesterday morning and inspected the judicial department of the Greater Shanghai Special Municipality in Pootung.

After visiting other law courts in this city, the three judges will proceed to other cities in Central China.

Markets Reopening in Hongkew Area

Formerly operated by the City Government of Greater Shanghai, but closed at the outbreak of the 1937 hostilities in Shanghai, the Dixwell Road and Jukong Road markets may soon be reopened under the auspices of the new municipal authorities, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reported yesterday.

Chinese applying for stalls at the Jukong Road market already number 270, the paper said. Japanese merchants will also be allowed to hold stalls, according to the "Mainichi."

Vast British Loan Due for China

Currency Supported For Large Purchases Of British Material

London, Mar. 6.

Britain has decided in favour of two large loans to China to save the Chinese currency from collapse and enable China to purchase lorries, bills, machine-tools and other important British manufactures, official quarters announced today.

The first project is a £3,000,000 to £5,000,000 loan to China intended primarily to save the Chinese currency. The loan will be granted by a group of British banks headed by the Hongkong & Shanghai Bank which will receive full guarantee. A special bill will soon be introduced in Parliament to authorize the loan, official quarters said.

The primary purposes of the loan, according to Government circles, are these:

1. The special fund would be a realistic gesture of Anglo-American solidarity in the Far East because it would make British aid extended to China approximately equal to that already granted by the United States.
2. The loan marks the reflex following the recent deterioration of Anglo-Japanese relations, denoting an attempt to induce Japan to modify her drive for hegemony in the Pacific.

British Government circles emphasized that this loan was entirely separate from the additional export credit Britain is preparing to give China which involves approximately a ten-fold increase in Britain's original £500,000 export credit. The new export credits will enable China to enlarge her purchases of British lorries, rails, machine tools and paper mill machinery.—United Press.

Scheme to Support Chinese Currency

London, Mar. 7.

Negotiations have been going on for several weeks for joint participation by British banks, with a group of Chinese banks, in a scheme providing for credits to support Chinese currency.

This enterprise, which will embrace a substantial amount, is regarded as one of common interest to both parties. Technical arrangements are well-advanced, and it is understood that an announcement will be made in Parliament this week.—Reuter.

Many Armed Robberies Perpetrated

At about 7.15 p.m. yesterday a male Chinese attacked a Japanese civilian in Newchwang Road near Chekiang Road and robbed him of a wallet containing $38, and of a velour hat. Detectives from Louza Police Station are investigating the case, but up to a late hour last night, no arrest had been made.

Earlier in the day, at 9.30 a.m. detectives from the same station were summoned to the Dah Loong Woollen Factory at 25/4 North Wusih Road where a few minutes previously, two men, one of them armed with an automatic pistol, had made a thorough search of the premises, decamping ten minutes after they had arrived, without stealing anything.

Another armed robbery occurred at Lane 256, House 1, Singapore Road at about 5.15 p.m. when four men, two of them armed with automatic pistols, entered the premises, intimidated the inmates and made good their escape with money, jewellery and clothing valued at about $240. The thugs, who spoke the Kompo dialect, did not make use of their weapons and detectives from Gordon Road Police Station, were investigating the case, although up to press time, no arrests had been made.

Later in the evening, at 7.30 p.m., five men, one armed, entered a Chinese residence at 1744 Hart Road and stole quantity of money, clothing and jewellery, the exact value of which has not yet been determined. Officers from Pootoo Road Police Station are making enquiries.

D. K. K. Wharf Fire Causes Damage

Flames threatened to destroy a number of godowns at the D. K. K. Wharf at 340 Yangtszepoo Road late yesterday afternoon and six machines from Hongkew and Yangtszepoo Fire Stations which received the alarm at 5.25 p.m. worked strenuously for two and a half hours, not only in extinguishing the fire which had found easy fuel in a cargo of straw-hats stored in godown No. 2, but mainly in protecting buildings near by from the threatening flames.

Owing to the fact that a "North-China Daily News" reporter was prevented from entering the site by a Japanese member of the Shanghai Municipal Police, the extent of the damage could not be ascertained last night but it was not believed to have been considerable.

Man Who Stole Cheques Sent to Prison

Liu Ting-su, an assistant of a Chinese grocery shop at House No. 6 Lane 135 Kiangse Road, was sentenced to serve four months in jail yesterday by the First Special District Court charged with misappropriation. Liu was asked last week by his manager to deposit some cheques for more than $1,300 with a bank. He secretly cashed the cheques and escaped, trying to use the money to his own advantage. The Central Police were informed of crime and Liu was arrested on Monday in the French Concession. Through his confession the officers visited a room of a hotel in Bubbling Well Road, where most of the money was recovered.

Sea Scouts Head Goes Back to Japan

Admiral Isamu Takeshita, retired, president of the Japan Sea Scouts, sailed back to Japan at 9 o'clock yesterday morning after a brief visit to Shanghai and Nanking. He arrived here last Friday to visit the Shanghai branch of the Japan Sea Scouts which was opened on March 2.

Gang Rearrested on New Evidence

Acquitted Formerly, Raid Scoops in Band

Seven robber suspects who were recently arrested by the Kashing Road police but who were subsequently released on account of lack of evidence against them were rearrested yesterday as a result of several raids and sent to the First Special District Court where the police applied for a writ of detention pending further investigation. A hearing was scheduled to take place two weeks hence.

Soon after the release of the suspects the police found a pistol which, it was alleged, belonged to one of the men formerly arrested and released. The weapon was alleged to have been used in several crimes. The police yesterday preferred to make more investigations before framing charges against the detained men.

The man to whom the pistol is alleged to belong, Chao Tze-chung, was arrested shortly after noon yesterday in a small lodging house in Hoopeh Road together with two other men. All others were arrested in Haiphong and Tiendong Roads and the French Concession.

Military Documents Stolen in London

London, Mar. 7.

Military documents of considerable importance were stolen from a car parked in Cavendish Square last night, when the owner, whose identity was unrevealed, left the vehicle for a few minutes.

The documents were in a small portfolio bearing the initials L.S., which was in the rear of the car together with several other pieces of luggage. The police believe the theft was planned by persons wanting to lay their hands on the documents for some time.—Havas.

Madrid Junta Offering To Make Peace

(Continued from page 7)

The new Defence Council indicates that Communist elements have been thrown out but the broadcast statements of its leaders indicate determination to continue fighting, unless the Nationalists give conditions for surrender, which they hitherto have refused.

As both General Casado and General Miaja are military men, fully aware that their defence must collapse before a Nationalist offensive, it is thought here that the Council has been formed as an organizing body to formulate plans for ultimate surrender.

The general feeling in Burgos is that the balance in Madrid is now swaying between anarchy and an orderly surrender, with the bias towards the latter.—Reuter.

Fugitive Ships at Bizerta

Bizerta, Mar. 7.

Eleven units of the Spanish Republican fleet cast anchor outside the harbour here at 8.30 a.m. this morning. The vessels were escorted by a French cruiser and several French torpedo-boats.

The police authorities went on board the ships to disarm them and submit the crews to medical examination. The ships will most probably enter the harbour this afternoon.—Havas.

Russians in Fight

Oran, Mar. 6.

Senor Alberti, former Under-Secretary of State for Air in the Republican Government, arrived here today, accompanied by Air Force officers and civilians, in two planes from Albacete. A third plane arrived later, carrying eight passengers, most of whom appeared to be Russians.

There was also a woman on board, whom onlookers believed to be the famous Communist woman deputy in the Cortes, Senora Dolores Ibarruri, known to all Spain as La Pasionaria.—Reuter.

Gen. Franco Unmoved

Burgos, Mar. 7.

Feeling confident that the war is already won and that he holds all the high cards, General Francisco Franco is unyielding in his determination to exact an "unconditional surrender" from the Republican Government still holding out at Madrid. This is the unanimous opinion in the best informed circles in the Nationalist capital.

General Franco is represented as wishing if possible to avoid further bloodshed but unless the Republicans surrender in the very near future it is believed he will march speedily against Madrid to gain victory "without any conditions, reservations or qualications whatever."—United Press.

Guerillas Attacked in Shanghai Vicinity

Japanese Claim Dispersal Of Large Bands

Striking at widely-scattered Chinese guerilla bases in southern Kiangsu from the period of February 25 to March 6, Japanese military garrisons in the Shanghai area dispersed various irregular bands, a Japanese military spokesman claimed in Shanghai last night.

An attack was launched against an irregular stronghold at Changyenchen, south of Sungkiang, on February 25, he said, causing the Chinese to retreat, abandoning 32 dead. One guerilla was taken prisoner, together with a large quantity of war material, the spokesman said.

On Sunday, a Japanese patrol encountered a group of about 100 guerillas at Weitsunchen, 16 kilometres north of Changshu. In the ensuing combat, 23 Chinese and three Japanese were killed, while one Japanese soldier was wounded. A quantity of Chinese war material was taken, the spokesman stated.

Sixty guerillas active in the Tanwangchen area near Minghong were attacked at 3.30 o'clock on Monday morning and dispersed. Twenty irregulars were killed, according to the spokesman.

French Police Stages Large Down Town Raid

A large scale raid, was understood to have been carried out by the French Police yesterday evening along Avenue Edward VII, Rue du Consulat and the cross-streets linking the two thoroughfares, although no information regarding the raid, was made available either by Poste Mallet, in the sector of which the raid was carried out, nor the headquarters at Lokawei. From reliable sources it was understood however, that the French Police has been carrying out similar raids in various parts of the Concession, for quite some time, in an effort to apprehend terrorist and other armed criminals, who may have chosen hide-outs in the Concession following the strict precautions taken in the Settlement.

Last night's raid, however, was relieved to have been the biggest one staged so far. It could not be learned whether any arrests or seizures were made.

Salaries for Italian Workers Increased

Rome, Mar. 7.

Ever-increasing cost of living in Italy led to an agreement between employers and workers whereby salaries will be increased by five to ten per cent.—Havas.

U.S. Navy Must Aid Britain

Mr. Henry Stimson Urges Precautions Against Dictators

New York, Mar. 7.

Naval action by the United States in the event of aggression by Fascist Powers on Britain or France, is advocated by Mr. H. L. Stimson, former Secretary of State, in a letter to the "New York Times."

"Almost any moment, an armed attack may be aimed by Fascist Powers against Britain or France," he writes. "Such an attack, from present appearance, would be co-operated in by all three Fascist Powers," he continued.

"Defence against such joint action in Europe and Asia can only be securely accomplished by common action of the Naval power of the three large Democracies, including the United States. Should any one of these attempt to remain isolated, the result will bid fair to be an ultimate disaster for them all. On the other hand, the conviction on the part of Fascist Powers that such common action is contemplated, may prevent an attack altogether.

Fascists Hold Balance

"Today, the aggressive group is more powerful in the air and on land than France and Britain, combined with probably sufficiently strong sea power to pin down the British and French Fleets in European waters, leaving exposed to the powerful Japanese Fleet, the whole of the Western Pacific Ocean, including Australia, New Zealand and even Western Canada, as well as Singapore, which is a key for the protection of those regions.

"It is far from inconceivable that a threatened or devastated France, or Britain or Holland, might be forced to cede to Fascist nations some of its possessions in the Western Hemisphere or in the Orient, or make commitments which is even more dangerous for our safety. Would our position be bettered by idly waiting for that to occur?

"Today, the German mailed fist has far less velvet concealing it than in the years preceding 1914. Is it not time for America to forget the lessons of the such recent past?" he concludes.

The "New York Times," in a leader, approves of the policy propounded by Mr. Stimson, saying, "such a policy for the United States does not require alliances abroad, but requires consultation, with other law-abiding nations on tactics of self-defence."—Reuter.

Philippines Aid Japanese Army

Chinese Consul-General Indicates How

Manila, Mar. 7.

The Chinese Consul-General, Dr. Clarence Kuangso Young, today called to the attention of American officials here the extent to which the Philippine Islands are supplying Japan with the materials of war.

Calling on the U. S. High Commissioner, Mr. Paul V. McNutt, the Consul-General pointed out that approximately 90 per cent. of the Islands' total production of base metals in 1938 was exported to Japan. The items mentioned specifically by Dr. Young included $2,000,000 worth of iron ore, $600,000 worth of copper and $500,000 worth of manganese.

Presumably the Japanese used these materials in part to bombard Chinese civilians, the High Commissioner was told by the Consul-General, who expressed the hope that the Islands would discontinue shipments of war materials to his country's enemy.—United Press.

Their Majesties Will See Quintuplets

Famous Dionne Children To Be Presented

Toronto, Mar. 7.

The Dionne quintuplets will be invited by the Ontario Government to come to Toronto during the Royal visit to be presented to Their Majesties.

It is suggested that the quintuplets will be brought here by special train and be presented to the King and Queen in the Lieutenant-Governor's Chambers.

At the same time, nothing is known in Callander regarding the invitation. Dr. Daniel Dafoe, who is in charge of the famous babies, has also heard nothing.—Reuter.

German Cotton Imports Centralized

Berlin, Mar. 6.

A holding company of all the cotton firms has been formed at Bremen with a capital of Rm. 10,000,000. Cotton imports are centralized and orders are being placed with those countries which are ready to buy industrial products from Germany. Cotton purchases from those countries, which in the past, have taken export goods from Germany in payment, will be affected by the new business method.—Reuter.

White House Aide to Be Secretary

Washington, Mar. 6.

Col. Edwin M. Watson, for the last six years the senior White House Military aide, will become a secretary to President Roosevelt in April, it was announced today. Col. Watson's appointment will fill the vacancy created when Mr. James Roosevelt, the President's son, resigned to become an officer of a Hollywood film producing company.—United Press.

Belgian Parliament Dissolved

Brussels, Mar. 6.

King Leopold today signed a decree dissolving Parliament, and setting a General Election for April 9. It was announced today that King Leopold had not accepted the resignation of M. Pierlot from the Cabinet, and that M. Pierlot would, therefore, remain in office until the election.—Reuter.

FUNERAL

Mr. Karl A. F. Schmuser

The Chapel at the Bubbling Well Cemetery was filled to capacity yesterday afternoon when the Rev. H. G. C. Hallock of Endeavourer's Church conducted funeral services for the late Mr. Karl Amandus Fritz Schmuser, who died at the Country Hospital last Sunday after a short illness. The late Mr. Schmuser was well liked and esteemed by a host of friends who will not soon forget his cheerfulness and kindness rendered in a spirit of good fellowship. Until claimed by death he was chief accountant of Mollers, Limited, which firm was represented by Mr. Eric Moller, departmental heads and staff. His wife Martha, two daughters, Dorothea and Gertrude and his sister, Mrs. A. Wegener were the chief mourners. During the services, "Rock of Ages" was sung by the congregation accompanied by Miss Elizabeth Ward, organist. The coffin upon which rested a beautiful cluster of violets from his wife was placed at the grave by Messrs. E. S. Wise, H.G.B. Perry, A. P. Kerske, S. E. Williams, F. R. Froemel, H. F. Kay, G. Rosen, W.C.A. Wolnizer, P. W. Giovannini and A. W. Horton. Among those sending flowers were:—

Martha, Dorothea and Gertrude; Muller, Marties and Erika; Karl-Heinz; Reinhart Schmuser and Famille in Germany; Annie, Hermann and children Alice, Bill and Captain Roe Annie, Gertrud and Hans; Denys; Elsie and Bert; Emma and Cyril; Freddie; George and Ida; Hans and Lily; Jessie; Johann. Una and Kurt; Rudolph, Mandy and Junior; Mary and Scottie; Troy, Annie and Sonny; Vera; The Staff of Mollers' Ltd.; Staff of Accounts Department, Moller Bar Ltd.; Deutsches Generalkonsulat Schangnai Deutsche Gemeinde Schanghai; Deutsche Arbeitsfront Schanghai; Wireless Department, Mollers' Ltd.; Officers and Members of Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite; The Officers and Companions of Keystone Chapter No. 1, R.A.M.; Sinim Lodge; The Endevourers Church and Sunday School; Von der Hitlerjugend; Hangchow Christian College; China Export Import Bank Company Ltd.; Messrs. Henningsen Produce Company; Heng Chong & Company; Mortimer Reid and Slee; Tientsin Engineering Company; Wai Tah & Company; Lulu Anderson Herr und Frau Alb. C. Armbruster; Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Becke and William; Mrs. Mary Bevan; Mr. and Mrs. Karl Bolloni and famille; Mr. and Mrs. George Edward Brockett; Mrs. Baldich and family; Mr. and Mrs. Burgoyne and family; Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Buttridge; C. S. Chang; P. J. Chang; Yah Chong; Captain and Mrs. R. Cordy; Mr. and Mrs. R. Davie and Mrs. Klyhn, Sr.; Mr. Paul Dehler; Dr. Ruland Deng; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Dissmeyer Captain and Mrs. Dray; Mrs. Fritz Druen and Hermine Druen; Edgren family; Mr. and Mrs. T. Elders; Samuel Emamooden; Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Fang; Andreas and Liesel Gatz; Mr. and Mrs. Philip W. Giovannini; Margaret Herd; Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Hill; Felix Hille; Mrs. Halberg. Jo and Vi; Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Harris; Mrs. Harvey and family; Mr. J. P. Hawes; Mr. and Mrs. Manley C. Jensen Captain and Mrs. Hylton Johnson; Mrs. Johnston, Mansie, Mamie and Matthew; Mr. and Mrs. A. Jones, Misses M. and W. Jones, and John Abbass; Captain and Mrs. F. W. Jones; Erich Juergens und Frau; Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Horton; Miss E. Kay; Mrs. M. Kempton and Nellie Kingman; Mr. and Mrs. Hans Klyhn; Mr. and Mrs. L. Klyhn and family; Peter Kutt; Mr. C. G. Langley; E. Lee; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rees Lee; Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Lemercier and family; Mr. Robert Lent and Miss Lent Mrs. Lewis, Ed and Mollie; Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Ling; Mrs. Ann Lovelock and family; MacDonald family; Robert Edward Manley; Bill Markham; H. S. Markham; Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Mussen, Mrs. Faith Stacey; Mrs. Ulela R. Martin; Dr. and Mrs. Robert Johnston McMullen; Mr. and Mrs. Eric Moller; Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Moller; Miss May Nind; V. O. Mordling; Willy Orthmann; Frau F. Pasche Rosie and Carlos Passos; J. A. Pettersson; G. B. Rosen; Arthur Schneider; Captain Henry Scurr; H. P. Shih; H. Y. Shih; Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Shirazee; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Spencer and Myra; Frau E. Sprenger und Familie Steingass; Anny Straus; Frau Wilhelmine Straus; Percy Symons; Mrs. P. Teichert and Daisy; Tenisson family; Robert Walter und Frau; Elizabeth Ward; Mr. and Mrs. A. Weder; Mrs. A. J. Willis; J. T. Williams and W. H. Tipton; Captain and Mrs. G. Wilson; Mr. F. H. Woo; Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Wong; Yoo Yung Kee Boiler Maker; Yok Hai; T. M. Zau; Boy and Amah; Mrs. A. Silva; Miss J. Manasseyn; Chang Nai Ziang; Lee Siao-Liang; Lee Siang Ting; B. Ekinau Mang Gee Tsong; H. C. Wu; T. F. Chow Fai Yuan Lee; Fu Li Yen; G. L. Liu; Y. P. Zee; K. Cordy; M. C. Chen; B. Zeh; Y. W. Dans; Yih E. Zung; K. S. Soong; Robert Y. C. Zau; C. Y. Fu; I. T. Yue; C. Cheng K. T. Doo; T. Y. Yao; Z. K. Loo; F. S. Gu; and others.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of the International Funeral Directors.

U.S. Unemployed for January Increased

Washington, Mar. 7.

The number of American unemployed during January increased by nearly 750,000 compared with December, says a report of the National Industrial Conference Board, published today. The total of 10,645,000, however, the report adds, shows a decrease of 250,000 as compared with January of 1938.—Reuter.

Peace Commission for Haichow Formed

Japanese Forces Formally Enter City

Haichow, Mar. 7.

A provisional Peace Maintenance Commission of Tunghai-hsien was formed here at noon yesterday with Mr. Chang Li-ya, principal of the Haichow Primary School, acting as chairman, and comprising 29 members.

Simultaneously, Japanese forces made a formal entry into the city through the eastern gates. Marshalled on the Central Plaza in front of the Hsien office, Japanese military and naval units which participated in the fall of Haichow, were reviewed by the Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Navy and military at 1 o'clock in the afternoon. Reconstruction works were begun in the city immediately.

Two Japanese detachments, without stopping for rest following the fall of Haichow, pushed on to a point eight kilometres south-west of here early this morning.—Domei.

British CM-Boats for Philippines

Coastal Defences Now Greatly Strengthened

Manila, Mar. 7.

The Philippine Army today expressed its satisfaction with the new British-built CM-Boat squadron delivered in Manila last week.

Preliminary tests of the new coastal defence boats, the "seagoing arm of the Army," indicated they would serve their purpose with great effectiveness, Philippine Army officers said.

President Manuel Quezon will go aboard one of the new speed boats sometime this week for a test run, it was understood.

The Philippine Army intends to build up a fleet of more than 100 of the new CM-Boats which will be utilized in peace-time to protect Philippine waters against alien fishermen, mainly Japanese, and smugglers.—United Press.

U.S.S. Gold Star in Yokohama

Yokohama, Mar. 7.

On what was jocularly described along the waterfront as a "spring shopping tour," the U.S.S. Gold Star arrived here today from Guam with 1,168 officers and men in addition to 42 American officials and their families on board. This was the second visit paid to Japan by the American vessel since the outbreak of the China conflict. The U.S.S. Gold Star will remain here until March 13.—Domei.

U.S. Tourist Trade To Japan Drops

Washington, Mar. 7.

The Department of Commerce announced today that the number of travellers leaving the United States for Japan dropped by 40.4 per cent. for the first six months in 1938 when compared with the same period in 1937.—Havas.

Ordinary Budget for Japan Passed

Tokyo, Mar. 7.

An ordinary budget for the next fiscal year totalling Y.3,694,000,000 was approved by the Diet without amendment today when the House of Peers unanimously passed the measure without change.—Domei.

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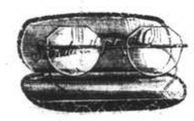

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Chinese Terrorists Active in Canton

Japanese Soldier, Chinese Official Slain

Hongkong, Mar. 7.

New terrorist acts are reported from Canton where a member of the pro-Japanese city council of the Chinese section of the city and a Japanese soldier on guard were murdered by Chinese terrorists. The Japanese authorities immediately ordered a house to house search, strictly cross-examining the inhabitants.

It is further reported that no more food supply shipments have reached Canton during the last few days from the interior so that the food situation may soon become acute.—Trans-Ocean.

New Border Clash Alleged in Harbin

Harbin, Mar. 7.

Ten Soviet cavalrymen crossed the Manchoukuo border north of Suifenho to invade Chinghsiangtai at 3.15 p.m. yesterday, according to a message reaching here today. Japanese border patrols repelled the invaders, wounding one of them, the dispatch added.—Domei.

U. A. W. Votes to Bar Communists

Detroit, Mar. 6.

The convention of the United Automobile Workers now in session here voted unanimously today to bar communists from membership.—United Press.

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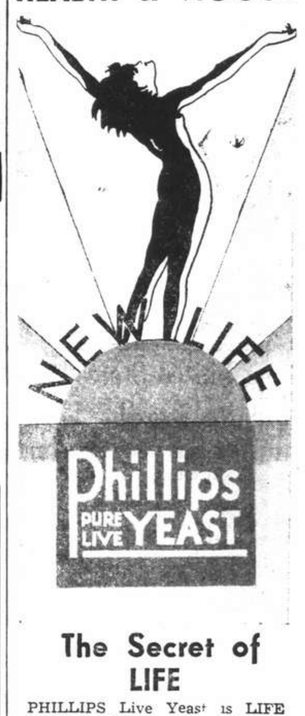

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FROM DAY TO DAY

MR. J. Fistere returned to Shanghai yesterday in the ss. Empress of Japan.

LADY Phillips, wife of the H. M. Consul-General, left for home on Sunday via Siberia.

MR. and Mrs. C. E. Spengler of Peiping returned from a vacation trip to America in the ss. Empress of Japan.

MR. and Mrs. A. C. Henning of Peiping arrived yesterday in the ss. Empress of Japan en route to the Northern city.

MR. and Mrs. George Vanderbilt passed through Shanghai yesterday in the ss. Empress of Japan en route to Sumatra to hunt big game.

FIRE at the Yokosuka naval base on Monday night destroyed five warehouses. No casualties resulted and no private dwellings were damaged.

AT the meeting of the Keys club which will be held today in the club rooms 999 Bubbling Well Road at 6 p.m., the guest speaker for the evening will be Dr. Disosway.

SIR Victor Sassoon, who has been absent from Shanghai for a year or more during which time he visited England, the Continent and the United States, returned to Shanghai yesterday in the Empress of Japan.

DR. Chen Tien-fang, until recently Chinese Ambassador to Berlin, was appointed on March 6 by order of the National Government, the new President of the Szechuen National University, says a Chungking message to the "Wen Wei Pao."

THERE will be a specially arranged Lenten Service in Holy Trinity Cathedral this afternoon at 5.30 o'clock, when Mr. Weaver will deliver the third in his series of devotional addresses on 'The Mountains of Jesus,' his subject this afternoon being, 'The Mountain of Prayer'.

THE Committee of the British Women's Association, Gardening Section, wish to remind their members that in addition to the bulb competition at Headquarters on March 10, there will be a class for cut flower arrangement. It is hoped that all members will enter for one or both of these.

THE Bureau of Audit of the Ministry of Audit will shortly be removed from Chungking to Kunming, capital of Yunnan, where offices will be set up, says a Chinese message to the "Wen Wei Pao." Mr. Ho Chi-li has been appointed director of the Bureau, and will shortly proceed to Kunming to take up his post, the report states.

THE Bureau of Farm Credits has been instructed by the Ministry of Economics to purchase cotton produced in Chekiang province as a means to safeguard the livelihood of the farmers, says a report to the "Wen Wei Pao." This order has been issued following the re-enforcement of the export embargo, as instructed by the Ministry of Finance.

AMONG those entertaining at dinner before the gala performance of Monteverde's "Orpheus" at the Lyceum Theatre on March 13 are Madame Barthel de Weydenthal, the wife of the Polish Minister to China, Madame E. Vega Lopez, the wife of the Chilean Minister to China and Mrs. P. H. Klimanek, who are all taking large parties.

MAJOR steamship companies operating on the Pacific announced today that round-trip fares to the Orient will be the same as one-way tickets for six sailings in April and May. Companies announcing the special round-trip rates were the American President Lines, Canadian Pacific and Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

FORTY-NINE Japanese Consular policemen arrived in Shanghai on Monday in the Shanghai Maru to join pacification works in Shanghai, Nanking, and Hankow, the "Tairiku Shimpo" reported yesterday. About 30 will be assigned to Shanghai, while the remainder will be attached to the Japanese Consulate-General in Nanking and Hankow, the daily said.

THE General Meeting of the Norwegian Association in China took place on February 24. The following were elected on the committee for the period February 1939/February 1940: C.N.B. Aall, President; R. Sundsbak, Vice-president; B. W. Enger, Hon. secretary; K. A. Persen, Hon. treasurer; Sv. Froland, E. Fasting, C. Josefsen, Committee.

SILAN Chen and Lily Mehlman presented a dance recital at the Guild Theatre in New York in Monday for the benefit of the American Committee for Chinese War Orphans. The numbers included "Death from the Skies," "In Conquered Nanking," "Portraits" and "The Uzbeck Dance."

FRAU Scholtz-Klink, noted Reich women's leader, is to visit London after her tour of Italy, it was announced. She will travel by air to the British capital. Frau Scholtz-Klink has been invited to England by the League for Anglo-German Fellowship, which is arranging a series of receptions in her honour. During her stay in London she will reside at the German Embassy.

THE printing and sale of bibles and new testaments in the German language have greatly increased in Germany since 1932, according to a statement issued by the Prussian Bible Society. Over 830,000 bibles and new testaments were printed in 1932, with 900,000 in 1933 and 827,000 in 1937, it is stated. A report of the African news agency, "Africopa," stating that no bibles have been printed in Germany since 1932 is described by the Prussian Bible Society as untrue.

THE programme for the twenty-first Sunday Symphony Concert in the Lyceum Theatre, on Sunday, March 12, at 5.15 p.m. is as follows:—

PART I
Introduction and Allegro for String-Quartet and Stringed Orchestra..Elgar
String-Quartet:
Prof. A. Foa, 1st Violin, J. Poduska, Viola
M. Livshitz, 2nd Violin, E. Winkler, 'Cello
Symphony No. 2 in D major J. Sibelius
Allegretto
Tempo Andante, ma rubato
Scherzo: "Vivacissimo"—Lento e suave
Finale: Allegro moderato without interruption
(First Performance in Shanghai)
Conductor: Maestro Mario Paci
PART II
Preludio, Fuga E Allegro Gregory Singer
for Piano and Orchestra
(First Performance)
Piano-Soloist: The Composer
Guest-Conductor: A. Avshalomoff

Big Attendances at Local Parks

Over 2,260,000 Visit Parks South of Creek Last Year; 1,400,000 at Jessfield

More than 2,260,000 people visited Municipal parks south of Soochow Creek last year, according to the annual report of Mr. W. J. Kerr, Superintendent of Parks and Open Spaces. Jessfield Park attendances accounted for the largest proportion, the total being 1,443,320 with a maximum of 17,211 on April 17. Other parks showed relative attraction to the public, 7,144 people visiting Kiaochow Park on November 24 and 4,895 jamming the tiny Bund Public Garden on October 8.

In reference to Jessfield Park, the Superintendent's report states:

The restrictions on access to the country districts and the parks North of the Soochow Creek increased the popularity of Jessfield Park, no less than 1,400,000 visitors being recorded during the year.

Several alterations were carried out, the most noteworthy being the raising and planting of an unused area behind the Japanese garden on the East and the construction of a large mound in the west section of the Park, in the front of which a pond is being excavated. A section of the creek to the north of the concrete bridge was filled in and planted as a "wild" garden and the low-lying and often flooded pathway to the west of the bridge was raised.

Minor alterations were carried out to the entrance to the children's garden and additional shrubs and trees were planted on park boundaries and several shrubberies were thinned out. The Chinese pavilion was raised and a new granite base constructed. Boundary fences were repaired as required and all work of a seasonal and general maintenance character was carried out.

The most effective floral displays were those of chrysanthemums and dahlias. Although an abundance of rain fell during the growing season, the chrysanthemums suffered somewhat from drought during the Autumn. The greenhouses were kept well stocked with plants in season.

Sports Activity at Kiaochow

Kiaochow Park was the only ground in the Settlement where football games could be played on a properly laid out field and it was extensively used, as many as four games being played simultaneously on several occasions. Large crowds of over 5,000 persons attended some of the games and it was found necessary to erect additional stands. The hockey field was also extensively used. There were recorded 3,080 football players and 2,020 hockey players.

During the Summer season, thirty lawn tennis courts were provided and one baseball field. The lawn tennis courts were insufficient to meet the demand and many clubs were permitted to play on alternate days only. The numbers of players were tennis 9,366 and baseball 122. Continual floral displays were provided in the botanical section throughout the year and there was a special display in November of numerous Chrysanthemum seedlings raised in the Park and grown in pyramid form.

The Bund Garden was reopened to visitors on April 13, the river frontage, which was used as a wharf, being separated from the garden by the erection of a low bamboo fence. General maintenance work was carried out in the garden throughout the year, the flower beds being kept well stocked with plants in season. There were attractive displays at this garden of Dahlias and zinnias in the Autumn.

At Hongkew Park maintenance work only was carried out, numerous shell-holes and dug-outs being filled. About 1,200 trees and shrubs were found to have been damaged during the hostilities. Five bowling greens were repaired, levelled, top-dressed, rolled and put into use. Extensive repairs were carried out to six hard tennis courts and five courts in the North-east portion of the park were prepared for lawn tennis. Temporary repairs were effected to the fences, but there is still a great deal of reinstatement work to be done.

Work at Hungjao Nursery was commenced during the Spring, a large number of damaged trees and shrubs being removed and shell-holes filled. Seasonal work was carried out to a limited extent during the year. Seasonal work was carried out at other nurseries. The nursery stock transferred to parks and open spaces included 65 trees, 3,500 shrubs, 14,000 chrysanthemums, 11,500 dahlias and about 190,000 bedding plants.

Engineer Discusses Soil Mechanics

Interesting Lecture Given At Park Hotel

At the Park Hotel on Monday evening, Mr. F. J. Sanger speaking as a member of the Foundations Research Committee, continued his series of lectures on "Soil Mechanics" to the Engineering Society of China, dealing with the laboratory testing and classification of soils for engineering uses.

Soil tests may be grouped as follows:

1. Classification tests giving the structure of the soil and the effects on its strength of varying its moisture content.

2. Mechanical tests, giving the strength of a soil under various kinds of loading and its comparative watertightness.

3. Model tests, in which a model of a proposed structure, usually an earth dam, is tested for strength and watertightness.

4. Research into the chemistry and physics of soils and into soil-testing technique.

5. Special tests for use in the treatment of a soil to improve its strength.

These tests were further subdivided and discussed, with special reference to their value in Shanghai. Some classification systems in use in other parts of the world were outlined and recommendations were given for use here.

The appendices included a description and list of apparatus with approximate costs of a soils testing laboratory, and a comparison of standard sieves in use for the grading of soils. The meeting concluded with a discussion on laboratory testing and its value in foundation engineering and research.

Two Killed When Wall Collapses

Two men were killed when the wall of an old chapel in Cannon Street, Manchester, collapsed. Picture shows general view of the wrecked building.

Britain, America Japan's Real Enemies in China

Fiery Speech by Veteran Statesman Denounces Foreign Powers; Tokyo's Policy Criticized

JAPAN'S legions were fighting in China to kick out the red menace of Soviet Russia and terminate the "imperialistic invasion" of Great Britain, which were "poisoning East Asia," declared Mr. Seigo Nakano, veteran statesman and President of the Tohokai, rightist agrarian party in the House of Representatives, in a fiery speech at the Tairiku Auditorium Monday evening, the Japanese daily "Tairiku Shimpo" said yesterday.

Basing his address on interviews he had with Reichsfuehrer Adolf Hitler and Premier Benito Mussolini in November, 1937, Mr. Nakano said that even if Britain expressed an intention to compromise, Japan would not deviate from her present course unless Britain ceased giving assistance to the Gen. Chiang Kai-shek regime.

Speaking with characteristic fervor and vehemence, the one-legged political leader held an audience of 2,000 persons spellbound by his candid comments on political matters and the dynamic manner in which they were delivered.

Mr. Nakano is one of a triumvirate of famous one-legged statesmen known throughout Japan for the brilliance of their political oratory. The trio included Mr. Ryutaro Nagai, who was Minister of Communications in the Konoye Cabinet, and the late Marquis Shigenobu Okuma, founder of Waseda University. Their oratorical achievements gave rise to an expression in Japan that "he who has one leg is the best speaker."

Japanese Policy Denounced

Mr. Nakano criticized Japan's diplomatic policy as showing indications of "coquetry" toward Britain, America and France. He levelled several scathing barbs at Japanese statesmen for "standing in the way of Japan's development," as he threshed out various phases of the hostilities in a two and a half hour address.

"With the spirit of olden times Japan is now breaking through the great difficulties that confront her," Mr. Nakano said. "The government authorities should realize the fact that Sino-Japanese questions are being solved by farmers and labourers who do not have the slightest knowledge of foreign affairs but who have the spirit and will to do things. The government authorities should be ashamed of themselves when they think of this.

"No country has ever brought such a vast territory in China under military occupation, which fact is unprecedented in the war annals of the world. Even after the capture of Hankow and Canton the Japanese troops are still marching on through swamps and mud flats. Japan should not slacken her efforts at the present time. She must rush forward!

Japan and Britain Opposed

"The positions of Japan and Britain in China are opposed to each other. The moment Japan should withdraw from China then Britain would extend her influence in China. The extension of British power would be tantamount to an intensification of anti-Japanese activities.

"If Japan were to withdraw from China at this time the sacred campaign of Japan would lose its meaning.

"In Germany and Italy I frankly stated to the Reichsfuehrer and Il Duce that 'Germany must expand in Central Europe' while Italy is destined to reign over the Mediterranean, thereby holding back the Soviet Union and Britain from the Orient."

"I said this not as a representative of the government but of those Japanese masses who were fighting on the China fronts.

"When we consider the attitude of the Japanese Government we can see that the alpha and omega of Foreign Office policy amounts to a flirtation with Britain and America.

"Look at the Foreign Office attitude at the time of the Panay incident! Japan cut a ridiculous figure by making unnecessary apologies so hastily.

Wrong to Apologize

"It may be true that in the light of the moral standard or etiquette of Japan apology makes one's conscience clear, but in the West it is entirely different—if you apologize you admit your wrongs.

"So if Japan did not commit any mistakes she did not have to apologize.

"The irresolute attitude shown by the Foreign Office at that time placed Japan in an unfavourable position, I venture to aver.

"When Canton was reported captured I thought Japan should have better crushed the nose of Hongkong with a mailed fist. The object of Japan's campaign in China is not China itself, I repeat again, but Britain and America are the real enemies of Japan."

Mr. Nakano then surveyed Japan's economic resources in relation to the East Asian economic bloc and assured his audience that the nation's economic structure was so strong that no fears should be felt on this score.

Conditions in Shanghai

Turning to conditions in Shanghai, the speaker denounced the activities of terrorists in the Settlement and advocated much stronger protection for "Reformed Government" officials.

He urged the adoption of drastic measures against "vessels of a certain foreign Power which supply the Kuomintang régime with arms and ammunition." The best way to deal with them was to use forcible measures. He said.

"Japan does not have to be worried about the state of affairs in Europe," he continued. "France and Britain are in no position to send their armies to the East. It is obvious that the moment these Powers were to be embroiled in Asiatic troubles or tried to bring armed-pressure to bear upon Japan a war would flare up in Europe. It is foolish to be worried about Britain and America at present.

"Japan's policies of statecraft are unique; they are just the opposite of the general principles applied to politics. The Japanese policy mainly follows military lines.

"It is much better if the politicians do follow the military leaders, but the fact is that at present the former are standing in the way of the latter.

Unity Wanted

"Politicians and military leaders should be united and march on together. Look at the Italian expedition in Ethiopia! When the Italian army started to move the Italian statesmen had a clear vision of future situations. But quite the reverse is true in Japan.

"Only after all the foreign influences and powers have disappeared from the Orient will East Asia start enjoying the honourable and proud heritage which is common to Japan and China, and start celebrating peace in the Orient.

"We have to march with the Chinese masses toward the dawn of the new Orient, and it is enough. We are operating on China with a surgical knife in order to cut out the cancer which is weakening China, not because the Chinese are the enemies of Japan.

"To take the poison from China, to cast the evils out of China and to show proudly to foreign Powers the honour which has been lost in East Asia are the purposes of Sino-Japanese co-operation.

Sir Victor Sassoon's Interests

"The man who was frightened the most over the bombing of Canton by the Japanese planes early in June of last year is none other than Sir Victor Sassoon. His rights and interests rooted all over the Yangtze Valley and southern China were menaced by the capture of Canton.

"It was, however, quite an easy job to cause the British Foreign Office to go into action, as Whitehall is Sir Victor's agent so far as East Asia is concerned. Sir Victor is the man who brought about the conversation between Sir Robert Craigie, British Ambassador in Tokyo, and Gen. Kazushige Ugaki, then Foreign Minister of Japan, concerning the safeguarding of British interests in China.

"And now Sir Victor has been trying slyly to cajole the Japanese financiers and business men in Osaka on his way back here."

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Japanese Shipping Monopoly

Only Eight Ports in Lower Yangtze Opened to Foreign Ships; N.K.K. Favoured

Third party shipping interests in Shanghai are reported by the Chinese press to have requested their respective consular authorities to protest against the alleged monopoly of shipping business in the lower Yangtze by the Japanese which plan is reported to be working commencing March 10.

It is stated that excepting eight riverport districts in Kiangsu all other ports will be closed to foreign shipping as the Japanese authorities have complied with a request made by the Nisshin Kisen Kaisha asking for the right to monopolize shipping business.

It is alleged that on the pretext of military necessity Japanese authorities will close all the other ports while the Japanese shipping firm will maintain boats on regular runs. The Japanese shipping firm will be protected by the Japanese navy and to that end, patrolling boats will be provided, it is stated.

The eight ports with which third party boats may trade are Tsinglungkong (Haimen), Tiensenkong (Nantungchow), Jukao (Shingsenkong and Changhuangkong) Tsingkiang, (Sinkong), Taishing, Tienshingchiao, Hsu-an (Yangchow) and Hokachiao.

The Japanese shipping firm is said to have already monopolized shipping on the Yangtze but in order to expand its business to the lower Yangtze several new boats have been built. They are between 2,000 and 3,500 tons. The Japanese firm is also reported to have established many transportation companies in the interior to take care of loading and unloading of cargo.

The reports admit that the Japanese authorities have not yet notified third party shipping firms in writing but insist that the blockade programme will be carried out and that foreign shipping firms have petitioned the consular authorities for assistance.

"Reformed" Officials Near Graduation

Nanking School Students Ready for Posts

Forming the vanguard of civil servants to be assigned to official posts in Central China, 109 students will graduate from the "Reformed Institute" late this month, the first class to graduate since its establishment, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reported yesterday.

Eighty-three of the prospective graduates are touring in Japan at the present time, inspecting various institutions and factories, but are expected back in Shanghai before the commencement ceremony, the paper said.

More than 100 students will be enrolled early in April. Meanwhile, officials are now selecting candidates for higher education in the Government official training school.

Japanese to Observe Army Day

Military Vessels to Steam Past Consulate

Japan's Army Day, commemorating the Japanese victory against the Russians at Mukden in 1905, will be observed here on Friday with a review of army vessels on the Whangpoo and a parade of mechanized units on Kiangwan Road, a Japanese military spokesman announced yesterday. The review of military ships will be an innovation.

Tentative arrangements, the spokesman said, provided for the ships to pass in formation off the Hongkew Mail Wharf at 10.30 o'clock in the morning, and the mechanized units to roll past a reviewing stand in front of the Shanghai Shrine at 11.40 o'clock.

Japanese Officials Due Here Today

Mr. Morishima Returning After Tokyo Visit

Mr. Morito Morishima, counsellor of the Japanese Embassy in Shanghai, who hastened to Tokyo last month to report to the Tokyo Government on the terrorist situation here, will return today according to Japanese reports last night. He is expected to arrive at Tazang airport at 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

Mr. Hidenari Terasaki, who formerly served in the Japanese Consulate-General here for three years, will arrive on Saturday in the ss. Shanghai Maru, while Mr. Nagao Kita, chief of the Bureau of Information of the Consulate-General, who is now in Tokyo for consultations with the Foreign Office is due to return by air on Sunday.

Japanese Fishermen For Hainan

Hoihow, Hainan, Mar. 7.

A party of eighteen Japanese fishermen arrived in Hoihow today from Singapore to settle permanently as a result of continual difficulty with the British authorities over fishing rights.

Mr. Kasaharu Kinjo, leader of the group, said British authorities in Singapore recently cancelled operating permits for more than half of the 100 Japanese fishing boats there and consequently Japanese fishermen faced an "intolerable situation."—Domei.

Three More Years of War for China

Rev. George Shepherd Says Chinese Must Win

London, Mar. 6.

The Rev. George Shepherd, adviser to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and missionary in China for the United States Congregational Church, predicted here today that the Sino-Japanese war would continue for another three years and end in a final victory for China.

"The war will continue at least three more years," he said. "Then Japan doubtless will be ready to talk peace. She can never conquer China.

"The Chinese have 2,500,000 guerilla troops besides her regulars. Japan has taken the coastal ports and Hankow, but these places are completely surrounded by Chinese guerillas and no trade is possible. Japan can exert no form of government outside the immediate areas which she occupies."

Mr. Shepherd arrived here today from China. He is en route to the United States.—United Press.

U.S. "Business Appeasement"

Administration and Congress To Co-operate

Washington, Mar. 7.

Following a conference between President Roosevelt and leaders of Congress, it is authoritatively stated that the entire Administration and Congress are anxious to co-operate with United States' business interests towards further amendment and to meet private capital in this work.

This conference is one of a series set for this week, which are expected to afford a more definite indication of the extent of the Administration "business appeasement" programme. —Reuter.

Traffic Case

At H.M. Court yesterday, before Mr. I. T. Morris, Acting Registrar, P. S. Page was fined 5/- on a charge of having parked his car within 30 feet of a crossing between the hours of 9 and 10 p.m. on February 18.

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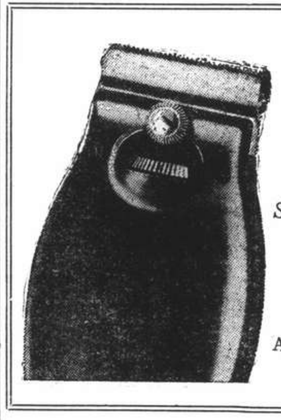

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From a Clubman's Chair

Contrasts at Royal Agricultural Show; The Needlemen Of England; Digging Up Henry VIII's Wine Cellar

By Charles Martin

WHAT was farming like 125 years ago? Organizers of the forthcoming Royal Agricultural Show's centenary celebrations in Windsor Great Park want to know, for they are laying out a model of an early nineteenth century farm, complete with barns, stables and implements of the period. Museums up and down the country are being asked to lend suitable exhibits, so that visitors will realize the extent of the progress that has been made on the farm since Waterloo.

For the first time since the reign of Queen Victoria there will be a special Queen's prize: a plate presented by Her Majesty for the winner of the butter-making championship. The King is giving a special award for the most points won in the horticultural section. I am told that the flower section promises to rival the display at Chelsea.

From Sword to Needle

What do old soldiers do when they retire from the active list? Judging by two exhibitions held recently in London quite a number paint pictures or take up fancy needlework.

An entire art show in a West End gallery was devoted to the work of soldier artists, who admirably demonstrated their familiarity with more than one kind of canvas. I was particularly struck by four water-colours of the South African veldt submitted by Lord Baden-Powell.

Not unexpectedly three were several fine studies of horses, but I saw few portraits. A picture of an attractive blonde in a blue dress was named "A Gentleman's Preference." The subject of another was a Jamaican native girl; I was told that the artist paid this model in beer.

In the drawing-room of a house in Grosvenor Square was exhibited the handiwork of the needlemen of England, many of them old soldiers. An elaborate petit point design in Tibet was shown by Brig.-Gen. Nation. A chair cover depicting a hunting scene was priced at £100.

London Destroys a Relic

An ambitious and much-needed town planning scheme in Finsbury, one of London's poorer and more go-ahead boroughs, will soon destroy a link with a famous London spa, which once was patronized by the fashionable and the wealthy. Carved in the stonework of a tenement house, shortly to be pulled down, are the words: "Islington Spa or New Tunbridge Wells." The house was built in 1840 over a bricked-in well.

Discovered in 1684 and opened to the public in 1690 at a charge of 3d. a head, Islington Spa for many years was the resort of the aristocrecy. At one time two daughters of George II took the waters daily, and Beau Nash was another visitor. But the well's popularity gradually declined until eventually the famous pleasure ground became a building estate to house part of London's rapidly growing population.

Strangely enough not one member of the two families living on the site of the well today were aware of its history.

Many an historic London landmark has disappeared in recent years before the housebreaker's pick. As if to compensate for the relics it has destroyed the same tool has just laid bare some valuable remains of another age. The demolition of buildings in Whitehall, to make way for new Government offices, has led to the discovery of parts of the old Palace of Whitehall.

Excavators, digging in the foundations, have brought to light a vast wine cellar, as it was in the time of Henry VIII. Here can be seen the brick platforms, known as stillages, on which the great barrels of wine used to stand. Nearby they have come upon a section of Cardinal Wolsey's banqueting hall; they have uncovered portions of the tiled floor of a fourteenth century chapel; and they have unearthed remains of a massive embankment wall, a reminder that the Thames once flowed much nearer Whitehall than it does today.

Betting on Peace

A day or two before Herr Hitler's latest pronouncement a well-known London bookmaker sent out a circular quoting odds for the Grand National and the Lincoln Handicap, with a special offer for those who were afraid that the German leader meant war. The "bookie" declared his willingness to bet 10 to 1 that England would not be at war with Germany within the next six months.

Herr Hitler spoke; and the odds immediately lengthened to 100 to 8. A week later the same bookmaker gave war only a 20 to 1 chance.

Will the Earth Get Warmer!

Warmer Winters Forecasted As Result of Scientific Observations in Arctic

More than eighteen years of observing the fluctuations of Arctic weather conditions in the fifty-eight Soviet scientific stations in the Far North lead Russian meteorologists to a forecast of warmer winters and hotter summers for the North and South Poles. They believe that the earth is entering a new cycle of warmer weather, states the Moscow correspondent of "The Observer."

A series of curious discoveries have been announced in support of this theory. It has been noted that year by year, for the past two decades, the fringe of the Polar icepack has been creeping northward in the Barents Sea.

As compared with the year 1900, the total ice surface of this body of water has decreased by twenty per cent.

Various expeditions have discovered that warmth-loving species of fish have migrated in great shoals to waters farther north than they had ever been seen before.

Recession of the Barents Sea icefields has been verified in recent years by numerous vessels of the Soviet mercantile marine plying between Murmansk and Spitzbergen.

The Gulf Stream

These phenomena had at one time been attributed to a supposed swerve in the course of the Gulf Stream which had brought an increased volume of warm waters to the Polar basin. Russian scientists are now inclined to correlate the changes to the general warming up of the planet.

The Gulf Stream theory does not explain the rising temperature of the waters of Baffin Bay and the Bering Straits, according to Soviet experts. It does not seem to account for the fact that the rivers of Northern Siberia freeze over later and thaw earlier than they did two decades ago. Nor does it explain the fact that the zone of Arctic subsoil, which has been rigidly frozen since the Glacial Age, is receding northward in Siberia so that at the city of Mezina it is now forty miles farther north than it was in 1839.

There is also the unexplained phenomenon of the rise in air temperatures in the Southern Hemisphere at Bombay, Valparaiso, Buenos Aires, and Cape Town.

Remarkable Changes

"Our generation is living in a period when remarkable changes are taking place almost everywhere throughout the world," writes Professor L. Berg, of the Soviet Academy of Sciences. "Certainly these widely distributed phenomena cannot be due to the action of the Gulf Stream, which, however, naturally receives its share of the greater general warmth."

The slow thawing of the Arctic is given as a partial explanation for the record voyages of Soviet ice-breakers to northern latitudes, which have never before been reached by navigating vessels. The Sadko in 1935, in ice-free water of the North Kara Sea, steamed to 82 degrees, 42 minutes of northern latitude—an all-time record.

The Yermak, which at the opening of the century was unable even to penetrate the fringe of ice-fields jamming the South Kara Sea, last year sailed northward in the Laptev Sea, turning back only after it had exceeded the Sadko mark by twenty-four nautical miles at 82 degrees, 6 minutes.

The general warming of the earth seems also to account for the loosening up of the huge cape of ice on the roof of the world.

Floating Laboratory

This was shown in the drift of the Papanin Ice-Floe Expedition, which for nearly a year studied Arctic conditions from its precarious floating laboratory. The party of four youthful scientists in their spectacular drift from the North Pole to the Greenland Sea found that the Polar icepack is moving approximately twice as fast as expected from earlier observations.

Again, research buoys dropped into the Kara Sea to study Polar sea currents indicated a movement to the coast of Greenland and Iceland two to three times more rapid than recorded movements several decades ago.

This gradual loosening of the Polar ice-cap has led such Arctic experts as Professor Vise to forecast that the ice-breaker Sedov, now adrift in the Polar ice-pack following a course similar to but more northerly than that of Nansen's Fram, will be carried along much faster than the Fram, shortening the crossing of the Arctic Ocean to a little over two years.

1938 Records

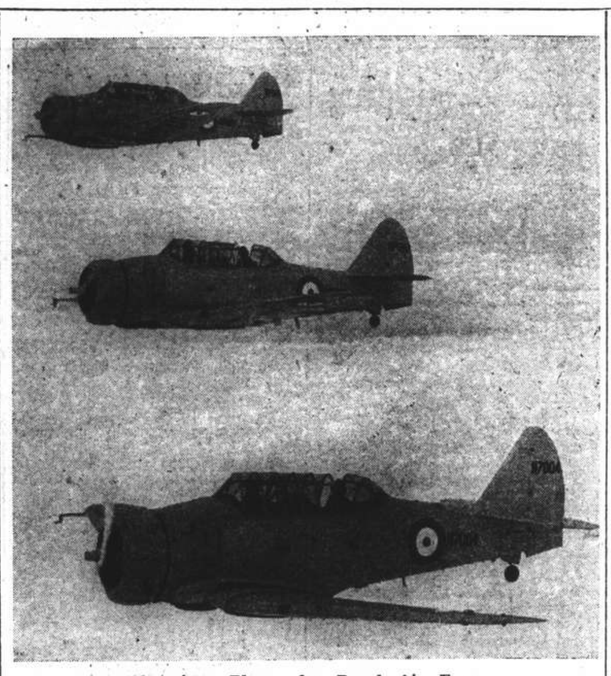
The Fram took three years. Professor Vise believes that the Sedov, which was trapped in the icefields north of the New Siberian Islands more than a year ago, should reach the Greenland Sea by the end of this year, carried by the same ocean stream that bore the Papanin party.

The strange weather records of 1938 seem to fit the picture of a slowly warming earth.

In England, March and December of last year were the warmest of the century during which records have been kept at Greenwich.

In December Moscow was gripped in a protracted cold spell and temperatures fell at times to 59.8 degrees below zero. Centigrade. During the same month, Soviet scientists, wintering at the observatory on Rudolf Island, 560 miles from the North Pole, reported a temperature well above the freezing point.

Six thousand young cherry trees will be sent to Peiping by Mr. Tsunehachi Yanagi, of Chiba Prefecture. The trees will be planted on the outskirts of the city.



American Planes for Royal Air Force

Three of the North American "Harvard" training aircraft flying in formation over Grantham. It is announced that 40 of this type have been ordered for the Royal Air Force for use in intermediate and advanced training of pilots in single-engined aircraft. The "Harvard" has a cruising speed of 190 miles an hour at 11,000 feet and is fitted with slots and flaps and retractable undercarriage.

Newspaper Libel Action Fails

Judge Agrees With Jury After Woman's Case Fails in London

A woman's action for libel against a newspaper failed in the King's Bench Division recently. The jury returned a verdict for the London Express Newspaper, Ltd., against Mrs. Valerie Constance Mayo, of Hampstead Garden Suburb, N.W., who had complained of an article in the "Sunday Express" by Mrs. Louise Tunstall.

Mrs. Mayo alleged that expressions used in the article meant that her husband, Mr. Harry Mayo, was a bachelor and free to marry, and that she, therefore, was not lawfully married and was the mother of two illegitimate children. The defendants denied that the words complained of were capable of a defamatory meaning.

Register Office Marriage

Mr. Gilbrt Beyfus, K.C., for Mrs. Mayo, said that she was a married woman with two daughters, aged 5 and 10. She was married on January 25, 1928, at the register office, Burnt Oak, Edgware, to a stock-jobber earning about £1,000 a year.

Mrs. Mayo's marriage was of an exceedingly private nature. Only two people, an aunt of Mr. Mayo and a cousin of Mrs. Mayo, were present. There was no announcement in the press. The marriage was reasonably happy until the autumn of 1937, when Mr. Mayo became entangled with Mrs. Tunstall, and eventually left his wife. In October 1937, he went to live in a flat with Mrs. Tunstall, who had, counsel said, deserted one of her many husbands.

Burglary at Flat

In January and February, 1938, the affairs of Mr. Mayo and Mrs. Tunstall became notorious as Mr. Tunstall burgled the flat where his wife and Mr. Mayo were living and stole some of the property of both. He was convicted at the Central Criminal Court.

Mrs. Tunstall gave evidence at the trial, which was on February 15, and on February 20 the "Sunday Express" published an article in the form of an interview with Mrs. Tunstall.

"Mrs. Tunstall," said counsel, "appears to be a woman who passes from the arms of one man to another, sometimes with the sanction of the marriage ceremony, but often not.

"The Woman I Am"

The article, which was published with a photograph of Mrs. Tunstall, was headed, "The Woman I Am, by Mrs. Louise Tunstall."

The article contained the following passages of an interview with Mrs. Tunstall:

"Mr. Mayo said to me, 'I have proposed to you a million times, Louise. Take this chance. Come and live with me and I will look after you until we can marry.' Now I have made unhappiness by saying 'No' in court when they asked me if I intended to marry Mr. Mayo. I do intend to marry him when I am divorced, but I was not going to say so in public. Mr. Mayo, as a man of honour, would have felt bound to marry me after that...."

Mr. Beyfus submitted that no one reading the article could possibly doubt that Mr. Mayo was in a position to marry Mrs. Tunstall as soon as she obtained a divorce.

Daughter Affected

Mrs. Mayo afterwards found that she was "cold-shouldered" by her friends. Even her young daughter was affected by the fact that her little playfellow ceased to visit the house.

Mr. Beyfus said he was not suggesting that the defendants intended to make any reflection on Mrs. Mayo. When she asked for a withdrawal of the statement affecting her, they denied that she had been libelled and pointed out that newspapers, in reporting the Old Bailey proceedings, had reported that Mr. Mayo in his evidence said he was a married man.

Mrs. Mayo's Evidence

Mrs. Mayo, in evidence, said that last October she obtained a decree nisi against her husband, alleging adultery with Mrs. Tunstall. The decree had not yet been made absolute.

Cross examined by Mr. G. O. Slade (for the defendants). Mrs. Mayo agreed that the fact that her husband left her to live with another woman was well-known among her friends. She also agreed that evening newspapers published reports of the proceedings in the Divorce Court when she obtained her decree nisi.

Newspaper cuttings of the proceedings at the Central Criminal Court were produced and Mr. Beyfus said that seven newspapers did not disclose that Mr. Mayo was a married man, while four did.

Mr. Justice Singleton, summing-up, said that the innuendo placed upon the words complained of was that Mrs. Mayo had never been lawfully married to her husband, that she was the mother of two illegitimate children, and that she was a woman of unchaste, immoral character.

"Can you read that in this article, or anything like that?" the Judge asked.

After the jury had returned their verdict, Mr. Justice Singleton said that he entirely agreed with the verdict. He hoped that the defendants would not press for costs.

Mr. Slade said that he would not press for costs provided there was no appeal.

Kipling Memorial Building

Princess Alice Lays Foundation

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 6.

Princess Alice today laid the foundation stone for the Rudyard Kipling Memorial Building at the Imperial Service College, Windsor. The buildings consist of two houses, each with accommodation for about 45 boys, and houses for house-masters.

The Earl of Athlone, Chairman of the Board of Governors, in a speech, recalled that Kipling had been educated at the college, and then at Westward Ho.

Mr. Vincent Massey, High Commissioner for Canada, dwelt on Kipling's hatred of "slipshod word," his abundant faith, his zest in life, his belief in the destiny of the British peoples, and his love of the spirit of adventure.

He said that he hoped some of the boys at the school would participate in the great pioneering tasks of the Empire, in response to Kipling's call. —Reuter.

Typist Outworks Man With Spade

Cleveland, O., Mar. 6.

The average typist, by actual scientific tests, does more work than a ditch-digger, according to Frank M. Slough, Cleveland patent attorney.

"When the effort required to strike a typewriter key is multiplied by the thousands of key-depressions, per day," said Slough, "the total effort actually is greater than that required in eight hours of ditch digging."

Slough said that a young Cleveland man had invented a revolutionary electrical typewriter, "simpler, cheaper to manufacture, easier to operate —with inter-changeable typeface, and many other advantages.—United Press.

Boxer Rebellion Memories

Former Medical Officer Writes of His Actions In North China

Writing to the Editor of the "Daily Telegraph and Morning Post," Col. W. S. Willmore describes some of his experiences during the Boxer Rebellion. It is interesting to read of the excellent fighting qualities of the Japanese troops of those days. The letter reads:

The reminiscences of Sir Roger Keyes about the Boxer Rebellion bring back a flood of memories of that extraordinary campaign.

I was the first man of the China Expeditionary Force to land in North China from the river steamer Shenking, which had conveyed a half battalion of the 7th Rajputs from the transport Nerbudda lying off Taku. Acting as their medical officer, I had the opportunity of tripping first down the gangway at Sinho.

This unfinished wharf of the Imperial Chinese Railway was some 14 miles up the River Peiho. We had passed one of the destroyers captured by Sir Roger, now flying the French flag, and a second was lying in dock close by. Opposite in the river lay the Algerine, and her searchlights guarded us that night.

I remember going on board the Algerine to give an anæsthetic to a British seaman with a badly crushed hand, and also being awakened at 3 a.m. to see a Japanese coolie who had been bayoneted by a Rajput sepoy while trying to get into our camp. A small, neat, bloodless wound over the heart was the only mark of injury. The Japanese were apologetic.

At daybreak we had an exciting journey to Tientsin compered by the Russians, who had taken charge of the railway. At Tientsin it was internationalism run wild—everyone very much interested in everyone else. There were British, Indians, French, Japanese, Italians, Americans and Russians.

It was fine to see the 24th Punjabis ("The Forty Thieves") swaggering down the Tientsin streets, led by their pipes and pipe-major—a regular Indian MacNab—the admiration of all.

Efficient Japanese

One predominant impression was that of the efficiency and fighting qualities of the Japanese. In their white and yellow uniforms they were just like so many machines; and I think the Japanese alliance must have been partly sought for these outstanding qualities, perhaps realized then for the first time.

We had landed on July 17. It was Aug. 14 before we were able to move out of Tientsin, and then it was an 80-mile race to Peking. The Japanese and ourselves outstripped the rest. We entered the Chinese city on the south, and relieved the Legations. A sepoy of the 7th Rajputs was the first to enter through a sewer-gate in the wall between the Tartar city and Chinese city. It was reminiscent of the cloaca maxima of Rome.

We were only just in time, and an heroic defence had been put up. The women's wan, white faces told the story of their ordeal. Everywhere were tales of the bravery and ingenuity of the Japanese colonel attached to his Legation.

Gradually fighting died down to military occupation, and after a year in Peking I was able to arrange a transfer back to India.—Yours, etc., W. S. Willmore (Col., I.M.S., ret.).

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G.B.S. Gives His Views on Bombs

Questions and Answers On Recent Terrorist Wave in England

Nobody in the world would take responsibility for the opinions of Bernard Shaw, but here are his views, given in an interview with W. R. Titertton in the Sunday Referee, on the bomb outrages that are shocking Great Britain at the present time.

Here are the questions and answers. "What do you think of the Irish bombing atrocities?"

"Is there any evidence that they are Irish? As the only effect they can have is to injure any country or people accused of them, the logical suspicion points to Ireland's worst enemies—if she has any."

Ulster Stock

"What would you do to pacify the Irish?"

"Why! What is the matter with them? So far, the only grievance alleged is that a handful of English soldiers are sent to spend English money in Ireland. As that is the sole effect of their presence there, the grievance would appear to be rather an English one. At all events, bomb outrages will not remove them: on the contrary, they may multiply them, and make them, violently active instead of passive."

"How can you turn out all the people in Ulster?"

"I don't propose to. The Six Counties, which I suppose is what you mean by Ulster, contains some of the best Irish stock, both Catholic and Protestant. They will join up with the South in good time, for reasons I have explained fifty times."

Guns and Slums

"Do you think all the Irish in England—including yourself—should be deported?"

"That question is more serious than you think. A sufficient number of bomb outrages, blamed on the Irish, might produce an anti-Irish persecution as savage as that of the Jews in Germany. Do not forget that it has been claimed for us that we are the lost tribe of Israel."

"Can you think of a better use for bombs?"

"I have repeatedly advocated the use of artillery for the demolition of slums."

"Do you approve of violence in politics?"

"The politicians have never waited for my approval."

Americans Fail to Understand Japan

Mr. Suma Reiterates Official Explanation

Portsmouth, O., Mar. 6.

U.S.-Japanese friendship has been somewhat affected as a result of the China conflict "because of a lack of understanding in the United States of conditions persisting in China and the necessities impelling Japan to resort to war," according to Mr. Yakichiro Suma, Counselor of the Japanese Embassy in Washington.

Mr. Suma, who formerly was stationed in Shanghai and Nanking, told the Teachers' Association here tonight that Japan proposes that China should form a new government with leaders who would be willing to terminate "anti-Japanese activities." He said this new government should "enter into something in the nature of an organic relationship with Japan and Manchoukuo and should participate in the pact against Communism."

"The new China," he said, "will be a better place. Establishment of law and order will bring more abundant profits for American traders and merchants."—United Press.

Rebel Attacks Resume In Palestine

Jerusalem, Mar. 7.

Terrorist attacks were resumed in Palestine today on several highways and bandits also set fire to buildings.

British troops made several arrests, but the insurrectionist movement is still active throughout the entire country.

The Arab rebel committee issued an official communiqué denying that the insurrection was due to foreign influence, stressing that the resistance shown by Arabs in Palestine "reflects most noble and disinterested principles. The rebellion finds its strength in the nation's soul.—Havas.

Bringing the South Sea islands to within 1½ days' flying distance from Japan, a new air route between Japan and the South Sea mandated islands will be opened for general service on April 1, the Japanese Ministry of Communications revealed. Steamships usually take twelve days to cover the same distance.

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Tokyo Discusses China Conflict

Tokyo, Mar. 7.

Measures to deal with the China conflict were understood to have been discussed this afternoon at a meeting of the Inner Cabinet. The gathering, held at the official residence of the Premier, included besides Baron Kiichiro Hiranuma, Prime Minister, Mr. Hachiro Arita, Foreign Minister; Mr. Sotaro Ishiwatari, Minister of Finance; Lieut.-Gen. Seishiro Itagaki, Minister of War, and Admiral Mitsumasa Yonai, Minister of the Navy.—Domei.

Exchange Control For N. China

Mr. J. W. Nicholson Sees Japanese Move For Trade Control

London, Mar. 7.

According to telegrams received recently from China, the Japanese "have every intention of putting into operation after March 10 the regulations already published for a control of exchange in North China," asserted a letter to "The Times" today written by Mr. J. W. Nicholson, Chairman of the Chinese section of the British Chamber of Commerce.

These regulations, Mr. Nicholson added, mean a control of the whole import and export trade in that area.

Precedent in Tsingtao

"A system will be inaugurated," the writer continued, "under which export certificates will be granted by the Customs only to those who can show that corresponding amounts of exchange have been sold to the Japanese-controlled Federal Reserve Bank at the fixed rate of 1s. 2d. to the Federal Reserve dollar. The cloven hoof has already been shown in Tsingtao where the control is in operation. There, certain imports are only permitted if they are Japanese. The same thing will occur in Tientsin. When the new system, if allowed, has been established, permits for imports will be made discriminatory or withheld altogether. If the Japanese succeed in obtaining complete control of trade and currency, they will be in command of a large supply of foreign currency with which to continue the war in China. This threatened control by Japan is another definite effort to destroy eventually all foreign trade with China other than her own. The position is difficult but I am certain that it is not beyond the ingenuity of the British Government to put into operation a satisfactory remedy."—Havas.

Export Restrictions in Chefoo Lifted

Only Few Goods Now Under Former Restrictions

Chefoo, Mar. 7.

The Customs authorities to-day notified the public that all exports abroad to Central and South China are to be free of all control, excepting egg and egg products, walnuts, peanuts, peanut oil, apricot seed, cotton seed, tobacco leaf, vermicelli, coal, woollen carpets, strawbraid and salt.

These items must be covered by exchange certificates issued by the Federal Reserve Bank showing that bills have been negotiated at the fixed rate of fourteen pence.—Reuter.

Ban Placed on Sale Of Garter Regalia

Once Owned by the Late Tsar's Brother; Veto on Order of Bath Emblems

It will not surprise those persons who are aware of the laws and restrictions governing the holding of the insignia of the exalted Orders of the Garter and the Bath to learn that a ban has been put on the sale, which was to have been held at Sotheby's recently of certain insignia which had been conferred on the late Grand Duke Michael Alexandrovitch, brother of Tsar Nicholas II, states A.C.R. Carter in the "Daily Telegraph and Morning Post."

Representations have been duly made by the high custodians of these Orders that the late Grand Duke's Garter insignia may not be offered for sale. These are: The gold and enamelled Collar; the Garter-Badge, of dark blue velvet bearing the historic motto in golden letters "Honi Soit Qui Mal y Pense"; the equestrian effigy, in rich enamel colours, of St. George slaying the Dragon, worn attached to the Collar, known in heraldry as the Great George; the oval pendant in gold of the Lesser George; the eight-rayed silver Star; and, lastly, the gold and enamelled Collar of 48 knots.

Accordingly they must be withdrawn.

"Golden Fleece" Collar

This veto has also been placed upon the Badge and Collar of the Golden Fleece associated with the Order of the Bath.

This emblem owes its origin to Philip the Good of Burgundy who founded the order on Jan. 10, 1429, the date of his marriage with the Princess Isabella of Portugal.

He adopted this "Toison D'Or," some hold, because it betokened the prosperity of his country's "merchandising of woolles" and also the Golden Fleece of the Argonauts.

The late Grand Duke's insignia of various foreign Orders, described in "The Daily Telegraph and Morning Post" recently have apparently not caused any objection to be raised, and these were submitted for sale, as the property of the Grand Duke's widow, Princess Brassow.

"The opportunity was taken to include the "Peace Diamond," belonging to Sergt. Solomon Habib, a wealthy Parisian who made a hobby of collecting outstanding specimens of diamonds.

He once owned the notorious Hope Diamond, the Mi-Regent, and the Princesse Mathilde stones. His original collection consisted of 14 magnificent stones which were the talk of Paris 30 years ago. He has satisfied his ambition of acquiring a perfect ensemble of each type of lustre.

The "Peace Diamond" is one of the five stones remaining in his possession. It is a white Golconda stone, and weighs 12.25 carats, being cut in the shape of a heart.

The sergeant is still under treatment for disablement suffered during the Great War.

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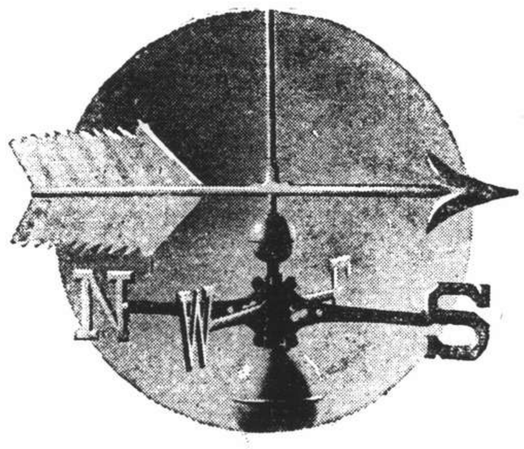

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Money and Exchange

Hongkong & Shanghai Bank

TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 1939

BANK'S SELLING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 8 7/32	$ 29.65
U.S. $100 @ 15 1/8	$632.41

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 8 5/16	$29.312
U.S. $100 @ 16	$625.00
London—demand	8 5/8
4 months' sight credits	8 3/4
4 months' sight docts	8 3/4
6 months' sight credits	8 1/4
6 months' sight docts	8 1/8
New York—demand U.S.	$16
4 months' sight credits	16 1/8
4 months' sight docts	16 1/8

INTERBANK CLOSING SELLING RATES

Sterling 8 5/32 U.S.	$15 29/32
Hongkong/London	1/2 3/8

Chartered Bank

Canadian $100 @ 15 1/8	$632.41
Hongkong $54 3/8	$100.00

Netherlands Trading Society

Netherlands Guilders Buying	30 1/4
Java Guilders	30 1/4
Netherlands Guilders Selling	29 3/4
Java Guilders	29 1/2

American Express Co., Inc.

Buying	U.S.$100=$625.000	£1=$29.312
Selling	U.S.$100=$632.411	£1=$29.653

Banque Belge Pour L'Etranger

Belgas 0.94=$1 Belgas 27.75=£1

Italian Bank for China

It. Lire 2.94=$1 Swiss Frs. 0.69 3/4=$1
Tourist Lire 3.25 ..... $1

Other Quotations

Berlin/Hamburg T.T.	$100=Rm. 39 1/4
	$100=Reg. Mk. 72.00 incl. License fee

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTERBANK CASH DELIVERY

	Highest	Lowest
£	8 3/8	8 3/8
U.S. G.$	15 1/8	15 3/32
Yen	—	—

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

SELLING		BUYING	
Cash		Mar.-Apr.	
£ T.T.	8 1/4	4 m/s. l.c.	8 7/32
G.$ T.T.	15 7/8	4 m/s. l.c.	16 1/16
Fcs. T.T.	596	4 m/s.	611
Rs. T.T.	45 1/4	15 d/s.	45 3/4

BAR SILVER

	READY	FOR'D
London pence per std. oz.	20 5/8	19 7/8
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	42 3/4	—

Bombay market closed.

London silver was 1/8 up for ready and unchanged forward, being 20 5/8 for ready and 19 7/8 forward. New York was unchanged at 42¾ and Bombay was closed.

It was reported there was a little speculative buying. Market quietly steady. After the official fixing, the "Spot" market ruled dull, while "Forward" remained steady. There were small buyers.

The local exchange market opened with sellers to merchants at 8 3/32 sterling and 15 13/16 U.S.$.

The Interbank market was rather uncertain being influenced by the amount of faith in the rumours regarding currency loans, which varied during the day. Opening with sellers at 8 3/32 sterling and 15 13/16 U.S.$ for Cash, the market declined to 8⅛ and 15⅞ respectively, but recovered to the opening level in the afternoon. At the close there were sellers at:—

8 3/32 sterling	15 13/16	U.S.$	Cash/Mar.
8 3/32	15 13/16	"	Apr.
8 3/32	15¾	"	May

Foreign Exchanges

London £ Sterling T. T. on: Mar. 6.

New York	468.87	Shanghai	8 1/4 d N
Paris	176.87	Bombay	1/5 3/32
Berlin	11.68	Hongkong	1/2 1/8
Amsterdam	8.83 1/4	Singapore	2/3 1/8
Brussels	27.87 1/4	Yokohama	1/3
Madrid	100.00	.. (Buying)	Unq.
Milan	89.10	C'slovakia	136.93
Berne	20.64	N—Nominal.	

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.13 1/2	Japan	27.35
Spain	Unq.	Shanghai	16.00
Holland	54.09	Austria	Unq.
Paris	2.65 1/8	C'slovakia	3.42 7/8
Brussels	16.82	Hungary	19.80
Italy	5.26 1/4	Rumania	0.73
S'zerland	22.72	Yugo Slavia	2.30
Sweden	24.15	Greece	0.86 1/4
Norway	23.57	Bulgaria	1.25
Denmark	20.94	Finland	2.07
Montreal	99.650	Poland	18.91
Brazil	5.90		

London	4.69 1/16
.. Demand	4.68 7/8
.. Bankers' 60 days bills	4.68 1/4
.. Commercial 60 days bills	4.68
Buenos Aires Paper	29.09
Buenos Aires Paper, market rate	23.05
Montreal on London	4.70 7/8

—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London:		Mar. 6.
Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	0 5/8%
Bank Bills,	6 months	0 3/4%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2 3/4%
.. .. ..	6 months	3 1/4%
Call Money		0 1/2%

—Reuter.

New York:	
Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months	0 1/2%B 0 1/8%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0 1/8%B 0 1/2%A
Call Money	1%

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

British Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, Mar. 6.

Among commodities, steady to firm conditions prevailed, with the exception of wheat, which declined on favourable weather reports from America.

London Rubber: Spot buyers 8 5/16 unc; sellers 8 7/16 —1/16; Apr/June buyers 8 3/8 unc; sellers 8 1/2 +1/16.

London Sugar (Buyers) May 6/2½ +¼; Aug. 6/2¼ unc; Dec. 6/0¾ +½.

Liverpool Wheat: Mar. 4/4⅛ —¼; May 4/5¾ —⅜. July (new contract) 4/5⅜ —¼.

Liverpool Cotton: Mar. 5.02 +1; May 4.97 unc; July 4.81 +1; Jan. 4.66 unc. Egyptian Futures (Giza, F.G.F. No. 7) No. 2 Contract. Mar. 7.04 —1; May 7.07 +1; July 7.12 +1; Sept. 7.12 +1.

London Metals: Copper, Standard, cash, sellers £42 1/8 +3/4; 3 mths del. sellers £43¼ +¾; Copper, Electrolytic buyesr £48 +½; sellers £48½ +½; Tin, Stan. Cash sellers £215 +½; 3 mths del. sellers 215 +1. Lead, Foreign, official price, sellers £14½ +1/16; 3 mths del. sellers £14¾ +1/16. Spelter, Ordinary, official price, sellers £13¾ +½; 3 mths del. sellers £14 +1/16.—Reuter.

French Equalization Fund

Paris, Mar. 6.

Official publicity will from now on be given to all transactions effected by the French Equalization Fund, Finance Minister Paul Reynaud announced here today.—Havas.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

Very fair activity was seen in today's market in most of the general issues as well as in rubbers, several substantial advances having been recorded. The undertone is firm.

Wharves: Closing yesterday with business at $197.00 this market opened at $200 and closed at $202 with further buyers at the latter rate and sellers at $205.

Wheelocks were a steady market, some 1,650 shares being done at $35½.

Kroewoeks accounted for 20,000 shares at $1.36 and $1.37 closing with buyers at $1.35.

Tanah Merah. Opening at $2.10 and transacting 15,000 shares at prices up to $2.22½ this issue closed with buyers at $2.17½ and sellers at $2.22½.

Except for Power 5½ per cent. which recorded $20,000 at 91¾ and 92, the debenture market has received less attention today.

Official Averages

1939 High	1939 Low		Today's Averages	Change
151.52	105.32	General	142.68	+1.20
152.34	95.55	Rubbers	151.83	+2.68½

Total 189,050 shares. 230 bonds.

Morning Session

$10,000	S'hai Power 5½% Debs.	$ 92.00
$10,000	S'hai Power 5½% Debs.	91.75
$2,000	Asia Realty 6% Debs.	$ 55.00
1,000	Kroewoek	$ 1.36
650	C. G. Omnibus	23.50
4,250	Central Prop.	14.00
900	Ewo Mills (Ord)	18.50
1,000	Senawang	1.05
1,700	Wheelock	35.50
1,000	Tebong	0.96
18,000	Kelantan	0.45
9,000	Cheng	0.54
2,000	Chemor	1.47
1,000	Tanah Merah	2.10
1,000	Exploration	8.75
2,500	Yangtsze Finance	6.90
500	New Eng. (Ord)	6.95
1,000	Tanah Merah	2.12½
2,000	Rubber Trust	4.50
3,500	S'hai Loan	6.30
1,000	Dominion	6.30
1,000	Kota	3.05
200	C. G. Omnibus	23.75
100	S. & H. Wharf	200.00
1,000	I. I. Trust	3.40
500	Anglo Java	16.50
35	S'hai Power (Pref)	129.00
2,000	Chemor	1.48
2,000	Kroewoek	1.37
20	S'hai Power (Pref)	129.00
500	Langkat	10.50
1,000	Tanah Merah	2.15
1,000	Java Consolidated	2.30
500	Langkat	10.60
135	S. & H. Wharf	202.00
1,000	Java Consolidated	2.22½
1,000	Pahang	2.70
3,300	Ewo Mills (Ord)	18.40
1,000	Seremban	1.80
1,000	Kota	3.02½
30	S'hai Power (Pref)	129.50
100	C. G. Omnibus	23.75
500	Int. Assurance	8.50
500	Ziangbe	14.80
2,000	Kota	3.06
3,000	Tebong	0.97
1,000	Java Consolidated	2.80
1,000	Kroewoek	1.36
200	Anglo Java	16.50
2,000	Batu Anam	1.16
10	S. W. W. "A"	647.50
10	S. W. W. "A"	650.00
1,500	S'hai Land	9.40
2,000	Kroewoek	1.37
2,000	Semambu	0.91
1,000	Repah	0.91
1,000	Repah	0.90
4,000	Tanah Merah	2.20
2,000	Semambu	10.80
500	Langkat	14.00
100	Sumatra	25.50
500	Kaiping	10.80
500	Langkat	1.36
5,000	Kroewoek	10.50
500	Anglo Dutch	25.50
500	Kaiping	15.00
100	Ziangbe	3.02½
1,000	Kota	1.48
6,000	Chemor	129.75
90	S'hai Power (Pref)	4.50
1,000	Rubber Trust	1.17
1,000	Batu Anam	1.18
2,000	Batu Anam	6.35
500	Dominion	0.99
2,000	Samagaga	39.25
100	Tram (Bearer) £1	16.60
200	Anglo Java	15.10
100	Ziangbe	1.07
2,000	Senawang	6.95
500	New Eng. (Ord)	0.93
1,000	Semambu	2.77½
2,000	Java Consolidated	0.98
3,000	Tebong	75.00
50	S'hai Telephone	1.05
5,000	Senawang	

ODD LOTS

1	Ewo Mills (Ord)	$ 18.70
50	Tram (Bearer) £1	39.00
500	I. I. Trust	3.42½
1/3	Int. Assurance	2.66
250	Langkat	10.90
400	Rubber Trust	4.55
16	Ewo Mills (Ord)	18.50
124	S'hai Gas	10.30
25	Kaiping	25.25
..	Ewo Mills (Ord)	18.50
600	Kota	3.00
55	Rubber Trust	4.47½
50	Langkat	10.70
160	Batu Anam	1.16
500	Java Consolidated	2.30
500	China Finance	0.41
500	Chemor	1.47

Afternoon Session

$1,000	S'hai Tele. 6% Debs.	$ 95.00
2,500	S'hai Land	9.45
100	Ewo Mills (Ord)	18.40
100	C. G. Omnibus	23.75
500	New Eng. (Ord)	6.95
100	S. & H. Wharf	202.00
10	Union Insurance	Hk$480.00*
5,000	Tanah Merah	2.22½
2,000	Kroewoek	1.36
500	Yangtsze Finance	6.95
2,200	Ewo Mills (Ord)	18.30
1,700	Ewo Mills (Ord)	18.20
500	S'hai Loan	6.30
1,500	Yangtsze Finance	6.95
1,500	S'hai Land	9.50
6,000	Batu Anam	1.18
11,000	Kelantan	0.45
200	Ziangbe	15.00
2,000	Java Consolidated	2.82½
200	Anglo Java	16.60
20	S'hai Power (Pref)	130.00
1,000	Rubber Trust	4.45
1,000	Exploration	8.75
1,000	Kroewoek	1.36
500	S'hai Loan	6.25
500	S'hai Land	9.45
20	S'hai Power (Pref)	129.75
..	Exploration	8.70
40	S'hai Power (Pref)	130.00
1,000	Java Consolidated	2.80
2,000	Batu Anam	1.17
2,000	Chemor	1.48
2,000	Tanah Merah	2.20
1,000	S'hai Land	9.50
500	New Eng. (Ord)	6.95
1,000	Chemor	1.48
500	S'hai Loan	6.30
1,000	New Eng. (Ord)	7.00
400	Kaiping	25.75
1,000	Kota	3.07½
500	Exploration	8.70

ODD LOTS

80	Tram (Regd.) £1	$ 38.00
50	Tram (Regd.) £1	38.00
100	Kedah	5.95
100	Metal Ind. of China	6.10
100	S'hai Loan	6.20
55	Wheelock	35.25
200	New Eng. (Ord)	6.90
250	Kelantan	0.43

*—Outport Business.

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

March 7	Closing a.m. Closing	Prices p.m. Closing
Antamok	.445	.44
Atok	.36	.365
Balatoc	9.50	9.40
Batong Buhay	.021	.021
Benguet Consolidated	13.90	13.90
Big Wedge	.34	.335
Coco Grove	.445	.445
Demonstration	.125	.12
I X L	.66	.67
Masbate	.155	.155
North Camarines	.70	.69
San Mauricio	2.09	2.00
Surigao Consolidated	.22	.22
Surigao Con. Voting	.21	.20
Suyoc	.215	.21
United Paracale	.68	.68

Turnover: 679,000 Pesos.—Reuter.

London Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, Mar. 6.

The new account opened active on the Stock Exchange today, with prices advancing in most sections, especially Kaffirs, which were well supported, and industrials, where many appreciable net gains were recorded. British gilt-edged securities ruled fractionally easier, but, among foreign issues, Brazilian bonds were again favoured.—Reuter.

	Mar. 5	6
War Loan 3½% (Red.)	£97 1/8	97 1/8

JAPANESE BONDS

Japan 5% Stg. Loan, 1907	44 1/4	44 1/4
Japan 6% Stg. Loan, 1924	49 1/4	49 1/4

Osaka, Mar. 7.

Kogo 5%	Y.103.73

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

Allied Ironfounders	19/3	19/3
Armstrong Stevens	7/9	7/9
Assoc. & Elec. Indus.	43/-	44/1½
Austin Motors, ord.	34/3	35/3
Bristol Aeroplane, ord.	22/3	22/9
British American Tob.	103/1½	102/6XD
Cable & W., new form	47½	48
Cammell Laird, ord.	9/1-	9/4½
Courtaulds	28/10½	28/9
Distillers	94/-	94/3
Dunlop Rubber	23/3	23/3
General Elec. (Eng.)	80/-	80/9
Guinness (A) Son & Co.	107/9	107/9
Hawker Siddeley Aircraft	21/6	22/4½
Imp. Chem. Indus.	31/10½	32/-
Imp. Tobacco	133/9	140/-
Leyland Motors	90/7½	92/6
Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	59/19½	60/3
Pressed Steel, com.	117/11½	117/4½
Rolls-Royce	114/11½	115/-
Smethwick Drop Forgings	16/9	16/9
Tate & Lyle	62/9	62/6
Turner & Newall	79/10½	80/10½
United Steel	23/7½	23/9XD
Vickers, ord.	23/9	24/-
Woolworths	64/6	64/9

MISCELLANEOUS

Anglo Dutch	25/6	27/1½
Rubber Pltn. Inv.	29/7½	30/6

MINES

Burma Corp.	8/9	9/1½
Commonwealth Min.	1/3	1/3
Marsman Invest.	15/-	16/-
Randfontein Ests.	37/1½	37/1½
Sub-Nigel	232/6	233/9
Tanami Gold Min.	4½d.	4½d.
Western Holdings	10/3	10/3

OILS

Anglo Iranian	93/9	95/-
Burmah	85/7½	86/3
Mexican Eagle	7/-	7/3
Shell Trans. & Trad.	86/10½	86/10½

XD—Ex dividend.

CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS, ETC.

4½% Gold Loan, 1898	£73½	75
5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	66	66½
4½% Anglo-French Loan	52	52
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	35	35
5% Reorg. Loan, 1913	49	49
8% Stg. Notes, 1925	14	14½
5% Honan Rly., 1905	22	22
5% Hukuang Rly., 1913	21	21
5% .. .. (Ger. Is.)	20	20
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	13½	14½
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	23	23
5% T'sin-Pukow Rly. B.	16	16
5% .. .. G.	16	16
5% .. .. (Supl. Loan) B.	16	16
5% .. .. (Supl. Loan) G.	16	16
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	19	19
S'hai Elec. Construction	25/- N	25/- N
S'hai Waterworks "A"	19½ N	19½ N
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	30½	30½
Chartd. Bank of I. A. & C.	9	9
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	87	87
.. .. (Col. Reg.)	87	87
Chinese Eng. & Min.	17/3	17/6
Chosen Corp.	6/-	6/-
Pekin Syndicate	2/- N	2/- N
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	20/-	20/-

N—Nominal.

British Rubber Stocks Lower

London, Mar. 6.

Stocks of rubber in the United Kingdom on March 4th. were placed at 74,477 tons compared with 74,769 tons during the previous week. The stock of rubber in London on the same day totalled 47,988 tons, representing a decrease of 501 tons from the preceding week. Liverpool stocks, with a total of 26,489 tons, showed an increase of 209 tons.

British rubber deliveries during the week ended March 4th summed up to 1,838 tons compared with 2,218 tons during the past week. Deliveries in London during the period under review amounted to 1,047 tons against 1,245 tons during the preceding week, while deliveries in Liverpool were 791 tons and 973 tons, respectively.—Reuter.

Federal Reserve System Returns

New York, Mar. 6.

The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve system, in their report for the week ended March 1, respecting the entire body of reporting member banks of the system, revealed an increase of $6,000,000 compared with the preceding week and a decrease of $747,000,000 compared with the corresponding period last year.

Investments, compared with last week and the same week in 1938, showed a decrease of $18,000,000 and an increase of $1,110,000,000 respectively.

During the period under review total loans were given as $8,186,000,000 and investments as $13,403,000,000.—Reuter.

Japan Buys Most of Philippine Metals

Manila, Mar. 7.

Japan bought about 90 per cent. of Philippines production of base metals in 1938, Government statistics published today revealed.

Japan bought 98 per cent. of all Philippine Iron ore production totalling more than 900,000,000 kilos. More than 85 per cent. of all Philippine manganese and copper also went to Japan.—United Press.

U. S. Steel Mill Activity

New York, Mar. 6.

Steel mill activity for the week commencing March 6 was placed at 55.1 per cent. of capacity, according to the American Iron and Steel Institute, in its weekly report published today. This shows a decline of 0.7 per cent. compared with the previous week.

Production during the corresponding period of last year was estimated at 29.9 per cent., or 25.2 per cent. smaller than the current figure.—Reuter.

Berlin Bourse

Berlin, Mar. 6.

The Stock Exchange opened today with transactions showing an irregular tendency. The promissing outlook after the opening of the Leipzig Spring Fair however supported the favourable trend. Deutsche Waffen gained 2 points, reaching 142 and a similar gain was made by Sueddeutsche Zucker quoted at 218. Niederlausitzer Kohle lost 1.5 at 151 and Schubert & Salzer dropped 1 to 129.

Call money stood at 2.37 to 2.62 per cent.—Trans-Ocean.

New York Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, Mar. 6.

After early firmness on volume, the stock market today suffered a reaction of more or less minor proportions in the late dealings and closed with net losses ranging up to one point as compared with Saturday's final prices. The setback was due to late realizing induced partially by Washington reports of a measure to limit profits on Army aviation contracts. However, the turnover, which totalled 840,000 shares for the day, tended to dry up on the decline and most traders looked to resumption of the advance after a possible period of consolidation around the current levels.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
20 Indust.	150.25	148.37	148.84	—0.65
20 Rails	33.11	32.42	32.53	—0.45
15 Utilities	26.19	25.70	25.78	—0.31
40 Bonds	——	——	91.51	+0.04
11 Commod.	——	——	48.31	—0.07

	Mar. 4	6
Adams Express	10	9 3/4
Alleghany Ludlum Steel	23 3/8	22 1/4
Allied Stores	10 1/8	10 1/4
Allis Chalmers	46 1/2	45 1/2
Amerada Corp.	62 1/4	62 1/4
Amer. Can	93 7/8	93 7/8
Amer. & For. Power	3 1/4	3 1/8
.. .. $7 pfd.	B 17 3/8	17 3/8
Amer. Locomotive	26 5/8	26 1/4
Amer. Metal	35	35 1/2
Amer. Radiator	16 5/8	16 1/4
Amer. Rolling Mill	19	18 1/2
Amer. Smelting	46 7/8	46 1/4
Amer. Sugar Refining	19 3/4	19 5/8
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	160 1/2	160 3/4
Amer. Tobacco "B"	88 1/4	88 3/4
Amer. Waterworks	13 7/8	13 1/2
Anaconda Copper	31 5/8	*31
Atchison, T. & S. Fe	39 1/8	38 5/8
Auburn	4 1/4	4 1/8
Baltimore & Ohio	7	6 5/8
Barber Asphalt Corp.	18 5/8	19
Barnsdall Oil Co.	17	17
Bendix Aviation	26 7/8	26 3/8
Bethlehem Steel	74 3/4	73
Boeing Airplane Co.	30 3/8	29 1/4
Borg Warner	27 3/4	27 3/4
Briggs Mfg. Co.	27 3/4	26 5/8
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans.	11 3/8	11 3/4
.. $6 cum. pfd.	40	40 1/4
Can. Pacific Rly.	4 7/8	4 7/8
Case, J.I.	91	90
Celanese Corp.	22 3/8	21 3/4
Chase Nat. Bank	B 33 1/4	B 32 3/4
Chesapeake & Ohio	38 3/4	39
Chrysler	83	82
Columbia Gas & Elec.	8 1/4	8 1/8
.. 6% "A" pfd.	88 1/2	89
Coml. Credit	56 1/8	56
Coml. and Southern	1 7/8	1 5/8
.. $6 cum pfd.	64	63 1/2
Consolid. Edison	33 3/4	33 5/8
Consolid. Oil	8 3/4	8 3/4
Continental Can	40 3/8	40 3/8
Continental Oil	26 1/2	26 1/2
Corn Products	66 1/4	66 1/4
Curtiss Wright (com.)	6 1/2	6 3/8
.. .. "A"	25 5/8	25
Deere & Co.	22 3/4	22 3/4
Distillers Corp.	20 3/8	20 1/4
Douglas Aircraft	70 1/2	69 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	150 5/8	149 3/4
Eagle Picher Lead	11 1/4	11 1/4
Eaton Manufacturing Co.	25 3/4	B 24 3/4
Elec. Auto Lite	34 3/4	34 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	11 7/8	11 3/4
.. $5 pfd.	—	62 1/2
.. $6 pfd.	70 3/8	69 7/8
Elec. Pwr. Lt.	29 5/8	29 3/8
Flintkote	58 1/4	58 1/2
Gen. Amer. Trans. Corp.	42 3/8	41 5/8
Gen. Elec.	50 1/2	50
Gen. Motors	24 1/4	24 1/8
Gen. Rly. Signal	22 1/2	22 1/8
Gliden Co.	22 1/8	22 1/4
Goodrich (B.F.)	68 1/2	68 5/8
.. $5 pfd.	34 5/8	34
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	15 1/4	15 3/8
Great Nthrn. Iron	28 7/8	28 3/8
Great Nthrn. Ry.	—	—
Great Western Sugar	20 3/4	20 3/4
Greyhound Corp.	11 1/2	11 5/8
Hecker Products	65 3/8	64 7/8
Homestake Min.	55 1/4	55 3/4
Int. Nickel	9 5/8	9 1/4
Int. Tel. & Tel.	55 1/2	55
Johns Manville	39	38 3/8
Kennecott	50 3/4	49 7/8
Liby-Owens-Ford Glass	33 3/8	32
Lockheed Aircraft	50 1/2	49 1/2
Loew's Inc.	—	13
Manhattan Shirt Co.	35 7/8	35 1/2
Martin, Glenn L. Co.	9 3/4	9 8/12
Monsanto Chemical	52	52
Montgomery Ward	B 26 1/4	B 26
Nat. City Bank	15 3/8	15
Nat. Dairy Products	26 1/2	26 5/8
Nat. Distillers	15 1/2	15 1/4
Nat. Gypsum	23 5/8	23 3/8
Nat. Lead	9 1/8	9 1/8
Nat. Power & Lt.	13 3/8	13
Nat. Supply Co.	20 1/2	20
New York Central	18 1/8	17 3/8
North Amer. Aviation	25	25 1/2
North Amer. Co.	12 5/8	12 1/4
Northern Pacific	32 7/8	32 7/8
Pacific Gas & Elec.	43 1/4	48
Pacific Lighting	4 1/4	4
Packard Motors	11 1/4	10 3/4
Paramount Pictures Inc.	22 7/8	22 1/2
Pennsylvania R.R.	40 1/4	40 3/8
Phelps Dodge	40 1/4	40
Phillips Petroleum	36 7/8	36 3/4
Public Serv. of N.J.	35 7/8	35 1/4
Pullman, Inc.	9 7/8	9 3/4
Pure Oil	8	8
Radio Corp. of Amer.	22	21 7/8
Republic Steel Co.	38 5/8	38 3/8
Reynolds Tobacco "B"	17 1/4	16 3/4
Schenley	73	—
.. 5½% pfd.	75	74 7/8
Sears Roebuck	13 1/4	13 1/2
Shell Union Oil	13 1/8	13
Socony-Vacuum	18 7/8	18 1/2
Sthrn. Pacific	31 1/4	30 3/4
Sthrn. Rly.	44 3/4	43 7/8
Sperry Corp.	7	7 1/8
Stand. Brands	3 7/8	3 5/8
Stand. Gas & Elec.	49 1/2	49
Stand. Oil of N.J.	15 3/8	15 1/2
Stone & Webster	—	—
Swift International	19 1/4	B 18 1/2
Technicolor	43 1/4	43 1/4
Texas Corp.	20 1/4	20 1/2
Texas Gulf Sulphur	6 3/4	6 3/4
Transamerica	24 1/8	23 7/8
Tw. Century Fox	—	—
.. .. pfd.	85	84 1/2
Un. Carbide & Carbon	103 3/4	103
Un. Pacific	39 1/4	39 3/8
Un. Aircraft	13 1/8	12 5/8
Un. Air Lines Trans.	3 3/8	3 1/2
Un. Corp.	53 1/8	38 1/2
.. $3 cum. pfd.	2 7/8	2 3/4
Un. Gas Corp.	13	12 7/8
Un. Gas Improvement	49 7/8	49
U. S. Rubber	109	108 7/8
.. 8% pfd.	64 1/4	63 1/8
U. S. Steel	27 1/2	26 3/8
Vanadium	5 1/2	5 3/8
Warner Bros. Picts.	113 3/4	112 5/8
Westinghouse Elec.	B 23 1/4	B 23
Woodward Iron		

BONDS

Amer. & For. Power	56 3/4	56 1/2
Brazil	13 3/4	13 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio R.R.	22 1/4	22
Cities Serv. Pwr.	83 3/4	83 1/2
Erie R.R.	12 1/2	12 3/8
Int. Tel. & Tel.	73 3/4	73 1/2
New England Gas	67	66 7/8
Peru	9 1/2	9 5/8
Sthrn. Pacific R.R.	55 3/4	55 1/2
Stand. Gas & Elec.	67	B 66 3/8

B—Bid.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Summary

Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Sentiment in the stock market today continued largely bullish. However, operators were apparently disposed to only cautious extension of their positions pending further developments. Some chartists anticipated a temporary decline pending assimilation of the recent advances. Business news, though mixed, contained numerous items which were construed favourably, including a drop in business failures, rises in shipbuilding output, Buick production and lumber production, and business appeasement. Unfavourable items included a slight drop in steel operations, lagging advertising and the Spanish situation.

Stock on the Curb Exchange worked irregularly lower, while the bond market was irregular, with Government issues reaching new highs.

Firm conditions ruled in the foreign exchange market.

By Courtesy of S. E. Levy & Co.

The market's upside emergence from the sideways movement last week was an encouraging technical sign. The Administration's business reassurances were a major factor in the rise. However, the changed foreign atmosphere was more important, suggesting the possibility of speculative sentiment soon thinking in terms of peace.

The London market averages are close to the post-Munich highs, penetration of which would be construed as the dissipation of European fears.

The simultaneous increase in armaments without increased taxation has inflationary implications.

Business activity suggests the likelihood of a Spring revival. Motor output and steel operations are pointing higher. Construction is exceeding expectations. Lake Superior ore movement is expected to be double that of 1938. Farm equipments are experiencing a pick-up. Buying of electrical equipments could go further if the Government's contract with Alabama Power was favourable.

The odds favour a real spurt in Spring activity. A notable factor is the strength of investment stocks. Commodities are finally rising, and there is a possibility of the imminence of new financing.

The market lacks dynamic power but the average prices are moving upward, indicating the unattractiveness of cash.

Barron's Weekly Index, adjusted for trend, is placed at 74.8.

U.S. Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, Mar. 6.

The cotton market opened firm and continued upward on trade and general buying together with short covering and light offerings, final prices ranging from 5 to 8 points above Saturday's closing quotations.

Generally featureless conditions prevailed in the market for raw rubber, which, after opening firm on the steadiness of the London market, reacted in sympathy with Wall Street. Closing quotations ranged from 2 points down to 1 up as compared with the previous close.

Wheat futures in Chicago decl

Yulin Road Police Station Incident

Navy's Action Justified By Spokesman; Ready For Emergencies

"The Japanese authorities are prepared to take any necessary measures when such a requirement arises," a naval spokesman declared at the Japanese press conference last night when questioned in connection with the surrounding of Yulin Road police station on Monday evening by armed Japanese sailors.

As reported in the "North-China Daily News," this action was taken when two men, wanted by the Japanese military police for anti-Japanese propaganda, were held by the Yulin Road police authorities until the affair was amicably settled by the handing of the two men to the military police.

The matter, said the spokesman, had been closed with the handing over of the two men, who were wanted for terrorism, to the military authorities. Replying to a questioner, who asked if any arrangement had been made between the Settlement police and the Japanese naval and military authorities in connection with the handing over of prisoners without any display of armed force, the spokesman stated that the measures taken on Monday were considered necessary as the incident took place in the Japanese defence sector.

After further questioning, the spokesman stated that an arrangement had been concluded between the Shanghai Municipal Council and the Japanese authorities over the handing over of prisoners but he could not give any details about the agreement.

Queen Farida Leads the Fashion

Egypt's lovely Queen Farida, attired in a smart western-styled, photographed at the French Sculpture Exhibition at Cairo which she recently opened. On the right are Princess Fawzia, who is to marry the Crown Prince of Iran and her mother, Queen Nazlie.

Piano Recital by Miss Wincia Tomaszewska

Brilliant Performance and Necessary Perspective

The fact has often been mourned that not least among the multitude of entries in the debit column for which the local situation is responsible has been the diversion of artistes on tour from this fair city, but after Miss Tomaszewska's recital one wonders whether this is so important after all.

The concert of this talented pianiste on Monday at the American Women's Club contained works from Bach to Debussy and the fact was plainly demonstrated that she possesses the necessary perspective to do justice to this range; indeed, one of Miss Tomaszewska's outstanding qualities is her ability to engender in the listener a firm belief in the authenticity of her interpretations.

Bach, in her hands, is a most satisfying experience and emerges with all the recognizable hallmarks. The Chaconne, in its original form, is a sort of *vade mecum* of the difficulties which can be met with in violin playing. When the intellect and virtuosity of Busoni produced a piano arrangement it naturally became a *tour de force* but the main point was that it received a polyphonic frame essentially germane to the nature of Bach's keyboard music. The playing of the work demands intelligence and technical equipment of a high order; to the writer the Chaconne represented the finest aspects of Miss Tomaszewska's art throughout the evening. Beethoven's "Les Adieux" sonata was played in crisp style though "The Return" became a little too eager towards the end.

Musical Sensibilities

The remainder of the recital was devoted to a Chopin group, one of Debussy's "Images" and finally the 12th Rhapsody of Liszt. The score of "Reflets dans l'eau" is black with clusters of notes which provide considerable incentive for displays of brilliance by the lesser artiste, but Miss Tomaszewska withstood this urge and allowed her musical sensibilities to take full charge. This work, and the Nocturne and the Mazurka of Chopin were played with sound musicianship.

By the end of the recital Miss Tomaszewska had proved to the hilt that her technique was equal to the demands made upon it, which is a broad statement when her programme included works of the calibre of the G minor Ballade of Chopin and a Liszt Rhapsody. Yet there were times when her playing would have been better had its nervous tension been less. The middle of the Ballade was taken by storm and in the ensuing struggle there was inevitable deterioration in the clarity and continuity of the several episodes which comprise this section.

Miss Tomaszewska's accompanying left hand set a pace in the last part of the Ballade which largely prevented her right hand from grappling with the difficult dynamic problems of phrasing and accent in a coherent manner. *Presto con fuoco* as an indication of tempo has submerged rocks, for after a certain point, velocity renders the quality of *con fuoco* humanly impossible. Another typical example is contained in the coda of the C sharp minor Scherzo.

There was no loss of clarity in the E major Study which produced a singing tone of great beauty and an astonishing accuracy and vigour in the *bravura* passages. As an encore Miss Tomaszewska played the Fourth Study in Chopin's Op. 10. With fingers like hers one can fully understand and forgive the impulse to throw caution to the winds now and then.—H.

Pan-Ukrainian Move Checked by Czechs

Prague, Mar. 7.

The President of the Republic, Dr. Emil Hacha, yesterday dismissed the Carpatho-Ukrainian Minister of Communications, M. Julius Revay, and re-shuffled the Carpatho-Ukrainian Government, which remains under the Premiership of Mgr. Augustine Volosin who holds concurrently the Justice and Education folios. The Government re-shuffle, it is reliably understood, was due to the President's desire to check the Pan-Ukrainian agitation and reinforce the position of the Czechs within Carpathic Ukraine. General Prchala, who is a Czech, replaces Mr. Revay, leader of the Pan-Ukrainian movement, and will, in fact, control the country.—Havas.

Fewer Unemployed In Britain

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 6.

The latest official figures show a marked fall in the number of unemployed in Great Britain. The number of unemployed on February 13, according to these figures, shows a decrease of 142,000 compared with those on January 16, but 86,000 more than on the corresponding date in 1938.—Reuter.

Destruction of Vaccine Denied by Council

"Inadvertency" Statement Refuted in Interview

Allegations that the Shanghai Municipal Council had inadvetrently destroyed 500,000 doses of smallpox vaccine worth $70,000, were denied yesterday by a council official, when questioned by the "North-China Daily News"

In the first place, the official stated, it was not smallpox vaccine but typhoid vaccine and it had not been inadvertently destroyed. The vaccine, he added, had been destroyed because it had been condemned by a medical board, the total cost of the product to the council being $1,000.

Explaining the situation, he stated that last year there was an unprecedented demand for cholera and smallpox vaccines with the result that all the storage space in the laboratory refrigerators was occupied by these products.

As a prudent measure, in view of the fact that there might have been a typhoid epidemic, he continued, the Council took the step of manufacturing typhoid vaccine at a cost of $1,000. This was stored in the refrigerators at the Municipal Abattoirs owing to there being no space available at the laboratories.

Unfortunately the refrigerators at the abattoir, for technical reasons, were not suitable for the storage of vaccine, with the result that some doses were over-frozen. Later a medical board condemned the vaccine.

The official added that these doses had been stored only as a precautionary measure and if a typhoid epidemic had broken out, new vaccine would have been manufactured to cope with it, the doses at the abattoir merely being used in case of an unprecedented demand.

Primitive Paradise in Indian Ocean

Singapore, Mar. 6.

Amazing tales of a primitive paradise in the Indian Ocean were told by a party of Royal Air Force officers and men who have returned to Singapore from the Nicabor Islands.

They were sent there to repair one of the Short Sunderland flying-boats which was damaged in a forced landing at Nancowry Island. As the only white men on the island, they were the guests of the matriarch, Queen Ishlon, who entertained them with war dances and a royal regatta in which native canoes took part.—United Press.

Long Prison Terms For Gangsters

Men Who Fired at Police Car Sentenced

Chen Mow-tang and Hsu Hsiao Shih-tze, notorious armed robbers formerly operating in the western district who fired at a police van and tried to wrench a service pistol from a Settlement police constable, were sentenced to 17 years' and 20 years' imprisonment respectively yesterday by the First Special District Court.

They were charged with committing an armed robbery in the residence of Nyi Keng-sen at 1211 Jessfield Road on December 2 of last year. They escaped with $300. On January 2 of this year at 10 p.m. they fired at a police van near Tunsin Road and when they were later arrested it was found out that one of them had fired with a pistol previously stolen from a constable. Because they opened fire they were also charged with attempted murder.

Hsu was first arrested while trying to obtain treatment of bullet wounds which he sustained when officers in the police van returned fire. He registered with a clinic in Markham Road and the police were informed of his presence. He was easily arrested and through his confession Chen was arrested.

For robbery, each of the men drew 16 years in jail. On account of the fact that Chen had repeatedly used his gun in criminal activities he was sentenced to two more years' imprisonment but the judge finally sentenced him to only 17 years' imprisonment. Hsu was sentenced to 12 years' imprisonment for attempted murder besides the 16 years' prison term for robbery but the judge decided to imprison him for 20 years only. It was the bullets fired by him that hit the police van.

Balloon Appears Again Over Hongkew

"New Order In East Asia" Week Started

Both Chungking and Tokyo have set aside this week for extensive publicity work to suit their political purposes. While a balloon was flown in Hongkew yesterday by Japanese authorities in Shanghai announcing the "establishment of the New Order in East Asia," for which this week has been marked out, Chungking has mobilized every publicity agent for strengthening the belief of the Chinese in the "final victory" during the "second stage of hostilities."

The balloon attracted the attention of many people here and it was at first thought that it might have flown up to announce victory but after looking at the Chinese characters carefully the fact was established that it announced the "new order" week.

Chungking has ordered all Chinese newspapers to issue supplements on the second stage of hostilities in which, it is claimed, the Japanese will meet with many difficulties that will assure Chinese victory. Artists and broadcasting stations have been ordered to do extensive publicity work but in Shanghai no definite programme in keeping with the order has been carried out. The order from Chungking was published by all Chinese newspapers, however.

Dr. H. H. Kung, president of the Executive Yuan and Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Minister of Foreign Affairs have been asked to broadcast speeches.

Chinese Scientist For London

Shellfish Expert to Continue Researches At British Museum

London, Mar. 7.

Great interests is taken in scientific circles at the news that Dr. Yen Teng-chien, one of China's leading scientists, is shortly coming to England on the invitation of the Universities China Committee, who are making him a special grant for a year to carry on his researches here at the British Museum.

Dr. Yen, a student of St. John's University at Shanghai from 1923-27, followed in the footsteps of China's great geologist, the late Dr. V. K. Ting, in studying palaeontology and historical geology. Subsequently he was attracted to zoology and for several years has specialized in conchology and Chinese molluscs and gastoropods. From 1931-33 Dr. Yen followed these studies in the National Peiping University, but since graduating at St. John's he has also held instructorships and fellowships at Changsha, Hangchow and Tientsin.

He was for a time Honorary Keeper of Conchology at the museum of the Royal Asiatic Society of Shanghai.

Dr. Yen is a member of the Malacological Societies (Malacology is the science of molluscs) of London, Frankfort and Kyoto, and collaborator in the Royal Museum of National History of Brussels. Since 1936 he has been making researches in Berlin, Brussels, Paris, and is at present in Hamburg. He is due in London in April.

Young as he is, Dr. Yen is already the author of 38 treatises from books to contributions in learned magazines on the molluscs and gastropods of many of the provinces of China. These range from Sinkiang in the far north-west to Amoy in the south-east, besides those of the great lakes of China and Japan.—Reuter.

Philippine Planes Begin Manœuvres

Manila, Mar. 7.

Eleven of the Philippine Army's 21 planes began manœuvres today which will extend over a week to acquaint new pilots with the terrain and airport facilities of the southern islands. The Air Corp will soon acquire eighteen new pursuit planes and light bombers.—United Press.

Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Consignees
Santarem	Ningpo	P.N.&T.
Nankin	Hongkong	Mackenzie
Norse Carrier	Foochow	Wallem
Yochow	Hongkong	B.&S.
Myoken M.	Japan	N.Y.K.
Tyosa M.	Keelung	O.S.K.
H.M.S. Peterel	Cruise	—
Tingsang	Tientsin	Jardine
E. of Japan	Japan	C.P.P.
Katie Moller	C'wangtao	K.M.A.
Tungwo	Hsinkong	Jardine
Luise	Hsinkong	Keh Lee
Ave-Maria	Tungchow	Ta Lung
Tejo	T'ungkong	I.C.R.N.
Chingning M.	Tungchow	N.K.K.
Haikong	Hsinkong	Keh Lee
Jenny Moller	C'wangtao	K.M.A.
Meinan	Wenchow	S.V.O.C.
Talien	Tsungming	Wan Woo
Lipari	Tsungming	C.I.N.
Kiangting	Tungchow	Foo Hwa

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Lipari	Ital.	C.I.N.
Luise	Ger.	Keh Lee
Kiangting	Ger.	Foo Hwa
Alexandra	Br.	Young's Shp.
Suiwo	Br.	Jardine
Wusueh	Br.	B.&S.
Produce	Nor.	Produce S.S.
Patti	Ital.	Chang Yuen
Liwo	Br.	Jardine
Don Joao	Port.	Tung Lee
Milazzo	Ital.	Far Eastern
Syoryu M.	Jap.	Showa S.
Nantung M.	Jap.	N.K.K.
Talien	Jap.	Wan Woo
Faro	Port.	P.N.&T.
Shanghai M.	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Fengyang M.	Jap.	N.K.K.
Shuntien	Br.	B.&S.
Liangchow	Br.	B.&S.
Tweedbank	Br.	Lacey & C.
Canton	Br.	Mackenzie
Kasima M.	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Shinyu	Br.	G.L. Shaw
Chaksang	Br.	Jardine
Scharnhorst	Ger.	Melchers
Mohlenhof	Ger.	Carlowitz

Men-of-War in Port

Name	Flag	Type	Berthed
Dorsetshire	Br.	Cr.	B.N.B.
Scorpion	Br.	Gbt.	B.N.B.
Gnat	Br.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.W.
Mantis	Br.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.W.
Isabel	Am.	Slp.	B.N.B.
Luzon	Am.	Gbt.	U.S.N.B.
D. de Lagree	Fr.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
S. de Brazza	Fr.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.
Tahure	Fr.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
B. Colleoni	Itl.	Cr.	J.N.B.
Lepanto	Itl.	Gbt.	J.N.B.

Post Office Notices

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(Last connecting time from Sub-Offices to Head Office is 19.35 on week days and 19.05 on Sunday).

Date and Destination	Per	Reg.	Ord.
WEDNESDAY, March 8.			
Tsingtao and Dairen	Dairen M.	*20.00	7.15
Formosa via Keelung	Tyosa M.	*20.00	7.15
Hongkong (Y) Aust. (Y) N.Z. (Y) and Manila	Emp. Japan	*20.00	7.30
Hongkong Canton Aust. N.Z. S.S. Ceylon India Suez and Europe	Conte Rosso	*20.00	7.30
Weihaiwei Chefoo Tientsin	Newchwang	10.00	10.30
Swatow and Hongkong	Taiyuan	10.00	10.30
Kwangtung	Taiyuan	10.00	10.30
Hongkong and Canton	Tingsang	11.30	12.00
Ningpo	Tembien	11.30	12.00
Wenchow	M. Margarida	12.30	13.00
H'kow Wuchang Hanyang	Daichi M.	13.30	14.00
Ningpo	Santarem	13.30	14.00
Kiangpei Offices east of Jukao	Liwo	16.30	17.00
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	Isabel Moller	15.30	17.00
Chinwangtao	Isabel Moller	16.30	17.00
Wenchow	Dragao	18.30	19.00
THURSDAY, March 9.			
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	Nagasaki M.	*20.00	7.15
Tsingtao Wei. C'foo T'tsin	Yochow	10.30	11.00
Ningpo	Hsin Peking	11.30	12.00
Tsingtao Chefoo Tientsin	Kwaisang	18.30	19.00
FRIDAY, March 10.			
Tsingtao and Dairen	Tsingtao M.	*20.00	7.15
Chuanchow	Soochow	11.00	11.30
Nantung	Nantung M.	14.30	15.00
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	Taisang	18.30	20.00
Chefoo and Tientsin	Taisang	19.30	20.00
Amoy and Hongkong	Sinkiang	19.30	20.00
Indo-China (Z) via H'phong	Kiangsu	A —	—
Swatow H'kong Haiphong	Kiangsu	19.30	20.00
Kwangtung and Kwangsi	Kiangsu	19.30	20.00

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ss. Conte Rosso, via Suez, March 8, due London April 2.

ss. Empress of Russia, via Pacific, March 11, due London April 6.

ss. Aramis, via Suez, March 13, due London April 13.

Weather, Time and Tide

Wednesday, March 8, 1939 (18th day of 1st moon)

SICCAWEI	March 6 16.00	March 6 21.00	March 7 4.00	March 7 9.00
Barometer inches	30.04	30.11	30.13	30.13
at 22 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	+0.05	+0.08	+0.16	+0.09
at 32 F. (" " 12 hrs.)	+0.07	+0.07	+0.09	+0.09
Wind (direction)	W	N	NNW	NE
" (miles per hour)	13.1	8.1	3.7	8.1
Temperature (Fahr.)	49.°1	46.8°	45.7°	48.7°
Humidity %	98	94	90	80
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	10	10	8	10
Rainfall inches	—	0.00	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report March 6	Mean 1939	24 hrs. variation	66 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.04	0.00	30.20
Temp. Min. 47.°8 Max. 51.°1	49.°5	—2.°2	43.°7
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	6.00	0.07	4.92

Time and Tide	8/3	9/3	10/3	11/3	12/3
Sun rises at Shanghai	6.14	6.13	6.12	6.10	6.09
Sun sets at Shanghai	17.56	17.57	17.58	17.59	17.59
Moon rises at Shanghai	20.50	21.52	22.51	23.48	—
Moon sets at Shanghai	7.33	8.14	8.58	9.44	10.31
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 18	12.44	13.07	13.35	14.08	15.10
Ebb. makes Shai. 6 to 18	17.20	18.00	6.00	6.50	7.44
H.W. W'sung Bar 6 to 18	13.57	14.42	15.15	15.41	16.31
Ht. above LLW. (feet)	10.00	9.85	8.90	8.55	7.53

Vessels Discharging

NANKIN. The E. & A. S. S. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Nankin, from Australia and Ports.—This steamer is discharging Cargo at the Hongkew Wharf. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Cargo. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" will further be required to send their Representatives to the Wharf to verify the weights of such Cargo whilst it is being landed. Examination of ship-damaged cargo will be held at the Hongkew Wharf on Monday, March 13, at 9 a.m., by Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy. All Claims against this steamer must be sent in within fifteen days from date of Steamer's arrival, or they will not be recognized. All risks of Fire etc. at the Wharf and Godowns to be borne by the Consignees of the Cargo. Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents. 9-3

MENTOR. From Gdynia and Continental Ports arrived on March 5, and is discharging her cargo at Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" are further requested to send their representative to the Wharf to verify the weight of such cargo whilst being landed. Free storage period expires on March 14, 1939. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Thursday, March 9, at 10 a.m. Claims must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Butterfield & Swire, Agents. 9-3

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Vessels Arriving To-day

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive to-day are based upon information available yesterday evening.

From **NAGASAKI:** Nagasaki Maru, with mail, due 5 p.m., Wayside Wharf.

From **DAIREN:** Tsingtao Maru, with mail, due 5 p.m., Whangpoo Wharf.

From **WENCHOW:** Soochow, due 6 a.m., McKenzie's Wharf.

From **HONGKONG:** Kwaisang, due 6 a.m., Roosevelt Terminal.

Due at Future Dates

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From GDYNIA

Protesilaus	7/2	31/3
Bellerophon	7/3	28/4

From COPENHAGEN

Java	30/12	17/3
Kina	1/2	29/3

From OSLO

Talleyrand	17/1	15/3
Titania	17/2	13/4

From HAMBURG

Potsdam	18/2	27/3
Titania	1/3	13/4

From BREMEN

Neumark	24/1	15/3
Ramses	7/2	31/3
Kulmerland	21/2	12/4
Nordmark	7/3	22/4

From ROTTERDAM

Shantung	15/2	27/3
Kulmerland	2/3	12/4
Abbekerk	2/3	15/4

From ANTWERP

Arendskerk	23/1	13/3
Aller	26/1	14/3
Glenbeg	21/1	22/3
Marburg	8/2	22/3
Glenaffaric	4/2	1/4
Franken	24/2	11/4
Abbekerk	20/2	15/4
Glenapp	18/2	16/4
Denbighshire	4/3	29/4

From GLASGOW

Ajax	28/1	18/3
Hector	11/2	31/3
Menestheus	25/2	13/4

From LIVERPOOL

Tantalus	28/1	13/3
Philoctetes	11/2	24/3
Menestheus	4/3	13/4
Teiresias	25/2	14/4

From LONDON

Hakozaki M.	3/2	13/3
Somali	4/2	20/3
Corfu	10/2	20/3
Suwa M.	17/2	28/3
Chitral	24/2	2/4
Terukuni M.	3/3	7/4
Glenapp	4/3	16/4
Bangalore	4/3	17/4

From MARSEILLES

Chenonceaux	17/2	21/3
Mar. Joffre	3/3	31/3

From GENOA

Victoria	23/2	20/3

From TRIESTE

Cortellazzo	20/1	14/3
C. Verdi	8/3	2/4
Arabia	20/2	20/4

From PORT SAID

Potsdam	4/3	27/3
Kina	28/2	29/3
Hector	1/3	31/3
Mar. Joffre	7/3	31/3
Chitral	8/3	2/4

From SUEZ

Suwa M.	3/3	28/3
Protesilaus	28/2	31/3
Ramses	2/3	31/3
Glenaffaric	2/3	1/4

From BOMBAY

Victoria	6/3	20/3

From COLOMBO

Cortellazzo	20/2	14/3
Corfu	5/3	20/3

From PENANG

Somali	8/3	20/3
Glenbeg	4/3	22/3
Marburg	6/3	22/3

From SINGAPORE

Hakozaki M.	5/3	13/3
Arderskerk	4/3	13/3
Aller	3/3	15/3
Ajax	7/3	18/3
Chenonceaux	8/3	21/3

From SOERABALA

Tjinegara	24/2	11/3
Tjisalak	20/2	12/3

From MANILA

Hul. Maersk	8/3	14/3
Tallyrand	5/3	15/3
Tai Ping Yang	8/3	16/3
Java	4/3	17/3

From HONGKONG

See "China Ports" below.

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From NEW YORK

Acadia	28/2	15/3
Tai Pin Yang	30/1	16/3
Eurybates	27/1	21/3
Anna Maersk	10/2	28/3
Cingal Prince	11/2	29/3
Irisbank	7/2	1/4
C. Athens	18/2	15/4
Ivaran	25/2	19/4
Agepenor	27/2	21/4

From SAVANNAH

Agapenor	5/3	21/4

From PANAMA

Ivaran	8/3	19/4

From SEATTLE

Ixion	17/2	23/3

From VANCOUVER

E. of Asia	4/3	20/3
Ixion	25/2	23/3

From LOS ANGELES

Pres. Pierce	20/2	15/3
Acadia	17/2	15/3

From LOS ANGELES

Eurybates	17/2	21/3
Kamakura M.	27/2	26/3
Anna Maersk	3/3	28/3
P. Coolidge	6/3	28/3
Silverteak	2/3	7/4

From SAN FRANCISCO

Cingal Prince	2/3	29/3
Irisbank	28/2	1/4

From HONOLULU

Pres. Pierce	2/3	15/3
Kamakura M.	7/3	26/3

From HONGKONG

See "China Ports" below.

From OTARU

Burdwan	7/3	19/3

From YOKOHAMA

Rawalpindi	7/3	12/3

From NAGASAKI

Shanghai M.	10/3	11/3

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From CAPETOWN

Boissevain	15/2	24/3

From MONBASA

Boissevain	4/3	24/3

From LOUR. MARQUES

Fernmoor	—	10/3

From MELBOURNE

Nellore	4/3	10/4

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN

C. Bedford	7/3	9/3
Hoten M.	9/3	11/3
Burgenland	7/3	18/3

From TIENTSIN

Wosang	6/3	9/3
Hupeh	8/3	11/3
Fausang	8/3	11/3
Yusang	10/3	13/3
Shuntien	12/3	15/3

From AMOY

Tjinegara	9/3	11/3
Tjisalak	8/3	12/3

From HONGKONG

Sinklang	4/3	9/3
Kiangsu	5/3	9/3
Taisang	5/3	9/3
Emp. Russia	3/3	10/3
Esang	8/3	12/3
Tantalus	7/3	13/3
Kanchow	8/3	13/3
Tsinan	9/3	14/3
Neumark	7/3	15/3
Shantung	11/3	15/3
Mingsang	12/3	16/3

From KEELUNG (Formosa)

Hakuken M.	7/3	9/3

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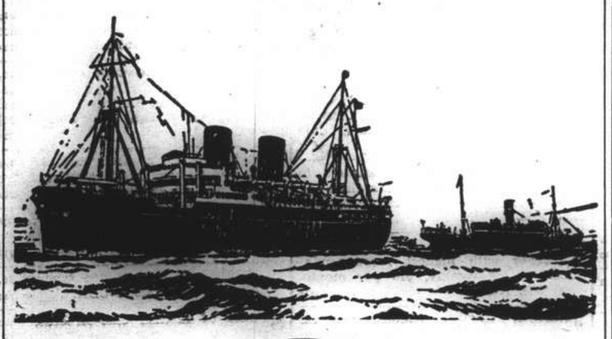

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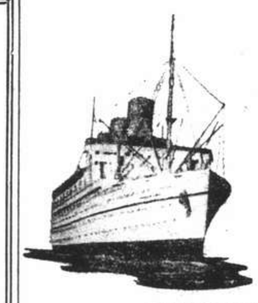

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U.S. Senate Increases Army Air Force Strength

Amendment Introduced to Limit Profits On Arms Orders; Amd. Leahy on Guam

Washington, Mar. 6.

AMERICA'S $2,000,000,000 rearmament programme moved a step nearer enactment today when the Senate approved an amendment to President Roosevelt's $365,000,000 emergency defence bill providing for an increase in the Army air force to 6,000 planes. The Senate approved the amendment by a vote of 54 to 28, thereby increasing the strength of the air force 500 planes above the level in the original defence bill approved by the House of Representatives last week.

An important development coincident with today's debate on the defence bill was the Administration's agreement to limit profits on the manufacture of planes under the 6,000 plane programme to ten per cent. Senator Morris Sheppard, Democrat of Texas and chairmau of the Senate Military Affairs Committee, announced the acceptance of the Tobey Amendment limiting the profits on manufacture of war planes for the Army.

Limitation of profits on the manufacture of planes for the Government was a victory for the "Mind Our Own Business" bloc in the Senate, but the increase in the authorized number of planes from 5,500 to 6,000 indicated strong support for the general outlines of the President's defence programme, the largest in American peace-time history.

Adm-Leahy on Guam

Meanwhile, Admiral William Leahy, Chief of Naval Operations, moved to offset Congressional opposition to the Guam fortification item in the Vinson Naval Base Bill. Admiral Leahy told the Senate Naval Affairs Committee that no enemy would attempt to cross the Pacific if an impregnable American defence base was established at Guam. He emphasized that the Navy at present desires only to begin work on harbour developments.

Admiral Leahy added that Guam would be extremely important as a possible submarine and air base from which the United States could protect vital overseas commerce with the Netherlands East Indies to obtain essential and strategic raw materials necessary to maintain United States industries in case of war.

"It would also be valuable as a possible naval station at which our Asiatic Fleet could be based when the United States withdraws from the Philippines in 1946 and would act as a strong deterrent to any foreign power which contemplates a hostile move toward Hawaii or continental United States," he said.

Cost of Fortification

When Senator Hiram W. Johnson, Republican committee member from California, asked how much it would cost to make Guam safe from attacks, Admiral Leahy replied that $80,000,000 could make it difficult for any possible enemy to take the islands, but $200,000,000 would be necessary to make Guam impregnable."

"However," he added hastily, "the Navy hasn't the slightest thought of any such huge project at Guam at present."

Responding to a question by Senator Homer T. Bone, Democrat of Washington, Admiral Leahy said "it is not the policy of the Navy to defend the Philippines after 1946."

Most members of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee indicated their views regarding the Guam item were unchanged and Congressional circles believed the Administration would finally be forced to abandon the project temporarily unless it wishes to risk a delay in enactment of the Vinson Naval Base Bill. Because this bill provides for ten other important Pacific bases, neutral quarters believed President Roosevelt would not deliberately delay its enactment for the sake of the Guam project which might be taken up separately, or in connection with Philippine problems, at a later date.

The development of the "February Revolt" in Congress during the President's absence from Washington was expected to be another factor in restraining the Administration from attempting to force the Guam item upon Congress.

Admiral Leahy, in testifying before the Senate Naval Affairs Committee today emphasized that the Navy at present contemplates only the construction of a breakwater and dredging of the harbour at Guam to improve the seaplane take-off area. He said "minor preparations" for handling large numbers of planes also would be advisable.—United Press.

Japanese Naval Rearmament

Y.1,694,000,000 to Be Spent in Five Year Programme

Tokyo, Mar. 7.

The five-year Naval rearmament programme, revealed with the introduction of supplementary estimates to the Diet, calls for the expenditure of Y.1,694,000,000 to be spread over five years and, in the case of shipbuilding, over six years.

The initial outlay for the next fiscal year will amount to Y.172,809,000. Seventy per cent. of the Y.1,694,000,000, namely Y.1,205,000,000, is ear-marked as appropriations towards building new vessels, which, added to the appropriations already approved by the Diet towards shipbuilding, works out to:—

1939	Y.29,984,000	1941	Y.324,836,000
1940	365,606,000	1942	384,185,000

The programme also calls for an expenditure of Y.300,000,000 for expansion of the Air Force.

A further sum of Y.1,205,780,000 to be spread over six years, is earmarked for the building of warships. The amounts to be spent each year are:—

1939	Y. 60,150,000	1942	Y.304,165,000
1940	119,250,000	1943	290,080,000
1941	286,785,000	1944	62,330,000

Expenditure for the improvement of ship to land facilities amounts to Y.188,321,000 to be spread over five years as follows:—

1939	Y.48,906,000	1942	Y.11,640,000
1940	79,493,000	1943	3,980,000
1941	44,300,000		

The estimated outlay for the expansion of the Naval Air Force totals Y.300,041,000. This amount is to be spread over five years in the following manner:—

1939	Y.56,641,000	1942	Y.69,450,000
1940	71,500,000	1943	19,630,000
1941	72,850,000		—Reuter.

Ex-King Loses Annuity For Criticisms

Siamese Government to Retaliate

Bangkok, Mar. 7.

Following the strong attack made by ex-King Prajadhipok in an interview with Reuter in Cairo, on Siam's present military dictatorship, the Government of Siam has announced that the Bureau of the Royal Household will cease, from April, to pay the customary annuity to the former ruler.

Others whose annuities will cease on same date are Queen Rambai Barni, the Prince of Nagor Svarga (whose name was mentioned in connection with the unrest which provoked the ex-King's statement), the Prince of Jainad, Prince Dewawonga Varodaya, and the children of the Prince of Nagor Svarga.

The ex-King, in his interview with Reuter said: "The reason for the periodic attempts at rebellion in Siam is that the present regime does no allow the formation of political parties through which the public can air its grievances....The Premier, Luang Pibul (former Defence Minister), who is backed by the Army, is the real ruler of Siam."—Reuter.

Japanese Peers Thank American President

U.S.S. Astoria to Take Ashes of Late Envoy

Tokyo, Mar. 7.

The House of Peers this morning voted special thanks and appreciation to the American Government and President Franklin D. Roosevelt for the offer to transport to Japan the ashes of Mr. Hirosi Saito, late Japanese Ambassador to Washington, aboard an American cruiser.

Carrying the ashes of the former Ambassador, the U.S.S. Astoria will sail from Annapolis for Japan on March 18, it was officially announced by the U.S. Secretary of the Navy, Mr. Claude A. Swanson, in Washington yesterday.

Mrs. Saito and her daughter will take the ashes to Annapolis, where Mr. Nackichi Kitazawa, Second Secretary of the Japanese Embassy, will board the cruiser for the voyage to Japan. Mrs. Saito and her daughter will leave San Francisco on March 30 in the Tatuta Maru.

The U.S.S. Astoria is expected to arrive at Yokohama about April 18. —Domei.

OBITUARY

Patriarch Miron Christea

Cannes, Mar. 6.

The death of the former Rumanian Premier Patriarch Miron Christea was announced here today.

The aged Rumanian statesman was spending a vacation in southern France. His same became prominent in 1937 when, following a tense political crisis, King Carol, entrusted the leader of the Rumanian Orthodox Church with the formation of a new Cabinet. Patriarch Christea headed two successive governments in 1937 and 1938, prior to his retirement from political life, brought about by his failing health.—Havas.

Pope to Be His Own Foreign Secretary

Another Break with Tradition Listed

Vatican City, Mar. 6.

Pope Pius XII will break another Vatican tradition by carrying on his functions as Vatican Secretary of State during the initial period of his reign as Pontiff, it was understood today.

The new Pope was said to regard the present international situation too delicate to entrust Vatican relations to anyone not fully acquainted with the Vatican's position.

Other ways in which the new Pope has given evidence of disregarding Vatican tradition include his decision to ride through Vatican streets in an open motor car during the consecration celebrations and his decision to be consecrated on St. Peter's Square where thousands may witness the ceremony from the balcony overlooking St. Peter's.—United Press.

Rome, Mar. 7.

Pope Pius XII received the German Cardinals Faulhaber, Innitzer, Bertram and Schulte as well as the French Cardinal Verdier yesterday.—Trans-Ocean.

Clipper Movements

Manila, Mar. 7.

Pan American Airways' giant 72-passenger Boeing Clipper was en route to Guam with a strange cargo aboard today after taking off from here at 2.30 a.m. on the return trip of her maiden flight to the Orient.

The China Clipper will arrive here on Thursday and go to Hongkong on Friday. The Philippine Clipper is to arrive here on March 14 and fly to Hongkong on March 15.

Aboard the Boeing Clipper were 106 pounds of fish livers for a California packing plant, one case of stewed mangoes and a consignment of Philippines orchids en route to Honolulu from a Japanese nursery in Manila.—United Press.

Mufti Compromise Rumoured

Arabs in London Not Informed; Progress Of Parleys "Slow"

Cairo, Mar. 6.

Proposals from the Mufti for a compromise in Palestine are being brought from Beirut by Osman Pasha, according to the newspaper "Alahram," which says that Osman Pasha went to Beirut yesterday to see the Mufti.

The "Alahram" states that it has learned from high Arab sources that the Arabs are unable to accept renewal of Jewish immigration except in return for an independent state, which when formed, would conclude a treaty with the British Government and an agreement with regard to a limitation in immigration. This agreement would include provision for an area wherein the land could be sold to Jews on condition that the area would not exceed one quarter of Palestine.—Reuter.

Arabs in London Mystified

London, Mar. 6.

Arab circles here profess to be mystified by news from Egypt that an approach had been made to the Grand Mufti, to obtain his consent to revised proposals for a settlement of the Palestine issue.

It is stated here that the initiative for such a move did not come from the Arab delegates in London, and that a communication received here this morning from the Grand Mufti did not refer to any such proposals.

The meeting between the British delegates and the Arab Committee this morning, it is understood, dealt with the British proposals, and the Arab counter-proposals. The Arab delegates are understood to have described the progress of the talks as "slow." They declined to admit that they were satisfied with the position, but agreed that they were not dissatisfied. The meeting between the British and Arab delegates will be continued tomorrow.

Meeting with Jews Delayed

Today's meeting of the Jewish Conference Committee has been postponed until tomorrow.

Reuter is informed by authoritative Jewish quarters that this afternoon's meeting of the Jewish Conference Committee was postponed because it was thought that tonight's informal meeting with the British Government delegates might make it clear whether or not the British suggestions were liable to modification.

If they are, it is understood, then tomorrow's meeting of the Committee is expected to discuss the counter-proposals to be put forward by the Jewish delegates.

The three foremost Palestine members of the Jewish delegation, namely, Mr. Benzwi, chairman of the Jewish National Council in Palestine; Mr. Mossinsohn, Education Director of the Council, and Mr. Suprasky, called on Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, at 4 p.m. today. They are understood to have said good-bye to Mr. MacDonald, as they are leaving for Palestine this week.—Reuter.

Indo-China Bullion on Way to U.S.

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Manila, Mar. 7.

The small French freighter Iaos, which arrived here from Saigon, has discharged 400 cases of silver bullion and four cases of gold bullion which are reported, although without confirmation, to have come from Chinese sources.

The shipment, which is now in storage here under a special guard, is to be shipped to the United States in the ss. President Garfield, sailing on March 20. It will be consigned to the American President Lines and the Bank of Indo-China is given as the shipper.

Shipping company officials here declined to comment on reports regarding the origin of the bullion.—United Press.

Gambling Forbidden In Canton

All Houses Temporarily Shut Down

Canton, Mar. 7.

For the first time in many months, no gambling houses are in operation in the city—at least officially—following the decision of the Japanese-sponsored Peace Preservation Corps to suspend all gambling permits temporarily.

"Readjustment of Government revenue" from this source is stated to be one of the main reasons for the action of the authorities, who are also reported to be busily engaged in framing new regulations for stricter control of gambling houses.

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WE buy second-hand refrigerators. Levy, Venus Cafe, 41 Route Montmorend. -2613

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WANTED Acme Code, second-hand, good condition. State price. Address Box 1529, NCDN. -2446

CASH to purchase used Underwood typewriters and one Monroe calculator any model. Offer your price and model. Address Box 1605, NCDN. -2480

WANTED, 12-bore, double barrel, shot gun, particulars to Box 1609, NCDN. -2689

Lost

LOST. Godown Warrant No. 128 issued to Messrs. Chien Shun, covering 110 cases of dried lungan (102 cases already delivered), marked "Ting Kong" (鼎廣) and stored in godown, marked T interlocked with S, of the China Navigation Co.'s Pootung Wharf ex ss. Ninghai, arrived on November 13, 1938. The godown has been notified and warrant declared null and void. Kien Sung Sugar Co. (建順). -2679

LOST a pass-book in respect of Savings Deposit No. 5222, issued by Overseas Chinese Banking Corporation in the name of Ying Chao-chung. The said pass-book is now declared null and void. -2691

Motor Cars and Cycles

WANTED for cash, small, second-hand motor-cycle, cheap. Address Box 1635, NCDN. -2733

WANTED coupe or roadster. Reply giving make, year, model, condition and price required to Box 1623, NCDN. 11299

1933 Austin 7, two-door sedan, good engine, owner-driven. $1,500. Telephone 36711 for inspection. -2714

STUDEBAKER 1934 for cash, in perfect running order, $3,000 or nearest offer. Telephone 30087 between 12 and 2 p.m. -2706

FOR SALE, Auburn de luxe 1935 in perfect condition, just overhauled. 20,000 miles only. Telephone 73055 between 3-4.30. -2447

FOR SALE, 1936 Chevrolet sedan, always owner-driven, excellent condition, very little used, bargain. Address Box 1591, NCDN. 11287

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$850 or nearest offer, owner-driven, Morris Cowley, 1933/34, convertible coupe, new battery, tyres, top and clutch lining, 18-20 m.p.g. Excellent condition throughout, smart appearance. Address Box 1577, NCDN. -2645

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THOROUGHBRED wire-haired terrier for sale. Two years' old. $100. Telephone 73960 or Box 1604, NCDN. -2678

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UNDERWOOD large office typewriter. Address Box 1639, NCDN. -2710

STOCK of English cine-cameras, size 9.5 mm., for sale at sacrifice prices. Address Box 1619, NCDN. -2701

FOR SALE, dress suit, 5 ft. 7 inches, 38 inch chest. Address Box 1620, NCDN. -2703

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TWO independent, fully-furnished apartments, each two rooms, bathroom kitchen, from April 1 to November 1. Rue Cardinal Mercier. Box 1598, NCDN. -2670

Unfurnished Apartments

TO LET, three-roomed apartment, bathroom, kitchen, servant's room, with all modern conveniences. A part of fixtures must be taken over. Telephone 33581, from 12-2 and 5-8 p.m. -2756

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WANTED to rent, furnished six eight-roomed house/apartment. Central district. Concession Settlement. Please telephone 71338. -2702

WANTED, from April 1, by responsible foreign couple, modern three/four-roomed apartment, unfurnished, western district, balcony, one/two bathrooms, conveniences. Address Box 1631, NCDN. -2622

WANTED two-three rooms and kitchen for a small restaurant. Anywhere, including Hongkew. Box 1633, NCDN. -2727

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WANTED about April-May, unfurnished house, 10 to 20 rooms. Particulars write to Box 1096, NCDN. -1937

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Unfurnished Houses

TO LET in French Concession, unfurnished, five-roomed, detached house. Large garden, tennis court. Address Box 1640, NCDN. 11301

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TO LET, a nice big house with garden, near Avenue Haig. Rent $125. Furniture and fittings to be taken over. Telephone 22047. -2749

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